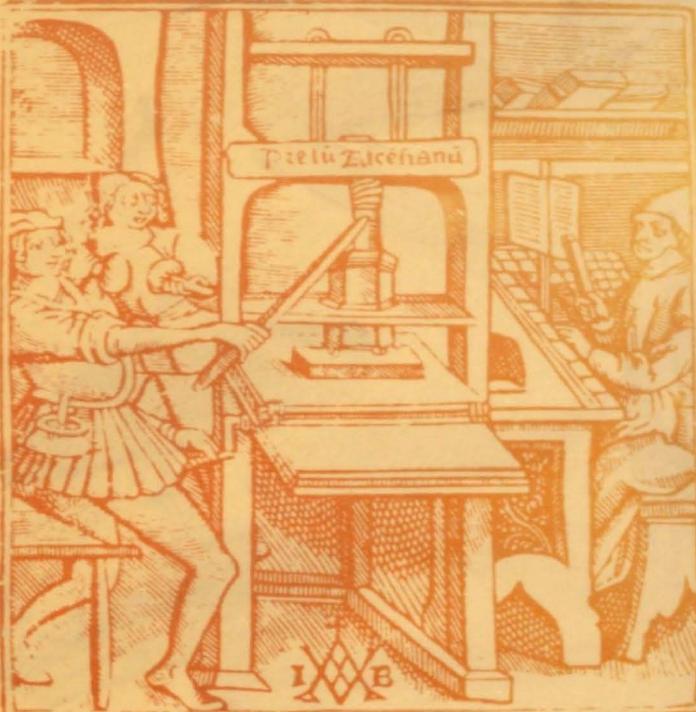


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Built as mankind said could'st not be,
Wonder of man's work and progress,
Gary—"Bee hive" of our country.
Symbol of our land's achievement;
City made and kept ideal,
True American—thy progress,
Gary—wonder of our nation!*

—“Bob” Dyrenforth.



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OUR AIMS



WHEN it was announced that the Convention of "The League of American Municipalities" was to meet in our progressive city of Gary, last September, through the instrumentality of Mayor Johnson, some fitting tribute to the League and the cause for which it stood was deemed fitting. The idea of compiling, and presenting the delegates and visitors to our City on that auspicious occasion, a souvenir that would be a memorable tribute of our appreciation and good fellowship, evolved itself in our minds and took permanent shape in the form of a pictorial and descriptive narrative of the phenomenal and magic steel city. Progress had so advanced in the consummation of this enterprize, that even when it was decided to postpone the convention, on account of the world war that had begun, the compilers of this work of art and history determined to push it to a finish as a tribute to the achievements of the past City Administration and to extend a hearty welcome and co-operative spirit to the present one, headed by William F. Hodges as Mayor, in its endeavors to make Gary the most favored spot in the world in which to live, thrive and enjoy the peaceful pursuits of life and happiness. As to the success attained by the compilers of this souvenir they modestly leave it to the people to praise or criticize and will abide by the decision of the majority.

Welcome to Our City:

make it the most wonderful city of the present century for the peoples of the universe!

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Salut, Gary

GERMAN
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SWEDISH
Välkommen, Gary

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HOLLAND
Welkom Gary

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Cosmopolitan Gary, the magic steel city, welcomes all comers to its confines, where health, wealth and pleasure combine to thrice welcome! Ye patriotic

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Gary, the City of Magic, Steel and Energy

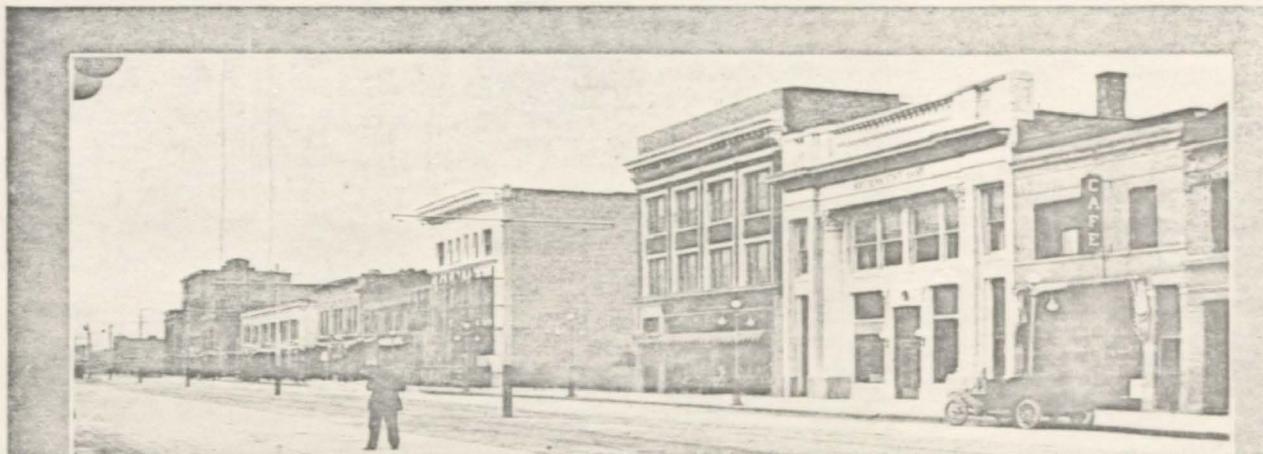
Gary Evening Post—By H. R. SYNDER

Many pens have been employed during the past decade in attempting to write the story of Gary. One frequently finds reference made to this City in current literature as the Magic City, and it has attracted the notice of publicists, historians and philosophers, far and wide. Sometimes it is called "The Wonder City," for in eleven years, there has sprung up on the sand dunes on the shores of Lake Michigan, in Northern Indiana, a settlement which has grown so rapidly that it is now believed to number in round figures some 75,000 people. This cosmopolitan city is represented by the most diverse nationalities of any city of simi-

the great world war, now in progress, raging in that continent, mill labor has been attracted from other quarters, and thousands of colored men have come from the cotton States of the South.

This gives our City a remarkable diversity of population, as originally manual labor was performed largely by Slavs, Magyars, Poles, Lithuanians, Czechs, Greeks, Turks, Ingo Slavs, Roumanians and others of that great conglomerate peoples who inhabit the Balkans.

Gary is noted for its steel works, built by competent engineers, embracing the most modern, scientific and mechanical intelli-



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BROADWAY NORTH FROM SIXTH AVENUE

lar size in the world. Many well-educated men have been attracted to Gary and make up its official, secretarial, business and professional life. But the great bulk of our adult population is made up of the working classes, attracted here by the good wages and regular employment afforded them in the great steel mills that run day and night the year round. The tremendous demands for steel, iron, shells, shops, ships, bridge-stuffs, railway iron, cannon, guns, and all kinds of construction materials have been especially heavy on the Gary mills during the past three years. Immigration from Southeastern Europe having been cut off by

gence. It is claimed that the Gary plant, which had originally as its base, eight blast furnaces, but recently reinforced by four more, is the most efficient and productive iron and steel works now in existence. The open hearth is the heart of the immense, pulsating steel mills.

This topic is treated by the Hon. Louis J. Bailey, Gary's distinguished Librarian, who is competent to handle the matter, and who is an illuminative writer and philosopher. The original plant, which covered one thousand acres, is constantly expand-

ing, being supplemented by the Drawn Steel Works, the Tin Mills, a great new Tube plant, and additions to the original shops and furnaces.

On account of this central location, the easy access to the ore,

terminal system known as the E. J. & E., Gary is the natural producing and distributing City of America, and destined to be the world's industrial metropolis. It is often called the "Pittsburgh of the West."



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BROADWAY AND SIXTH AVENUE



coal and limestone beds, by rail and the great lakes, and the advantages of distribution of the products of the mills over nearly all the railways of the country (nine or ten lines entering Gary), and the others reached by the Steel Company's great



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ELEVENTH AND BROADWAY—WEST TOWARD HAMMOND

THE CREATION OF GARY
By E. PALMA BEAUDETTE

When labor and capital locked horns in the memorable Pullman strike, the workman sought the guidance of a brilliant, sincere young lawyer whose counsel enabled them to free themselves from intolerable conditions. His mastery of the situation attracted the attention of "the big men" of the country, and they decided that A. F. Knotts was the man they needed to act as their representative in this locality.

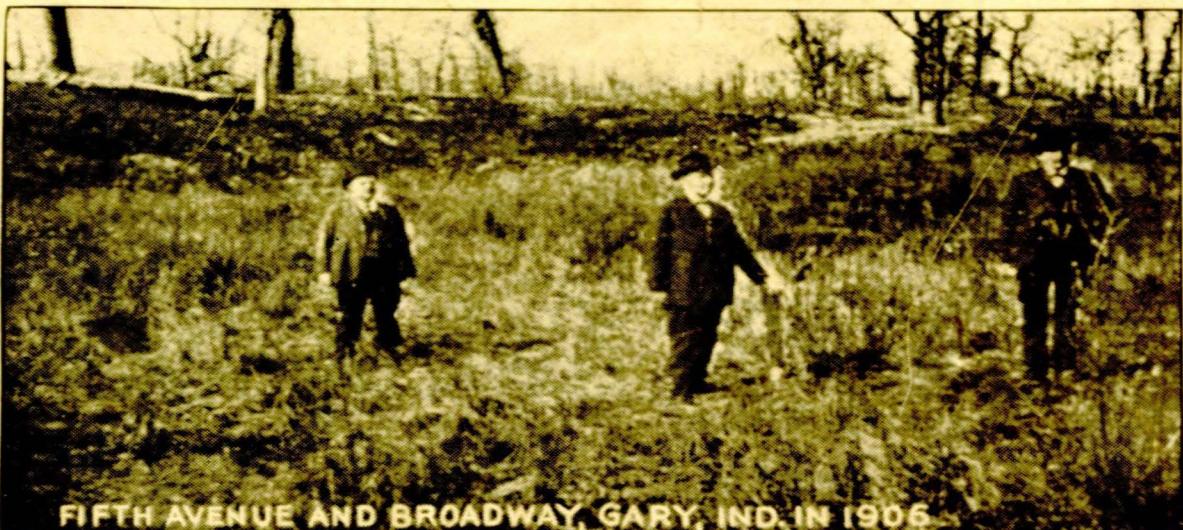
Gary, the Magic City, is not an accident, neither is it the natural result of the establishment of the model steel mills in this section, however reasonable such supposition may seem.

model city for the employes, giving them the true American right of being owners of their own homes, in restful, sanitary and beautiful communities, and living as free men.

At first skeptical, the directors hesitated in considering his plan seriously, but with his whole soul in the merits of his proposition and the value to employe and employer alike, his sound logic finally convinced these men of affairs. He was commissioned to secure the land for the plant and its accompanying city, and was instructed to lay out the plans for the latter and to supervise its building.

Realizing the great commercial value of the site which Gary roundings, which would enable him to make his model city per-

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PLANTING FIRST STAKE, APRIL 18, 1906

A. F. Knotts, founder of Gary, in foreground planting stake. Thos. E. Knotts, Gary's first mayor, in distance. A visitor with them.

In 1905, when Judge Elbert H. Gary and his associates were preparing to construct the largest and most modern steel plant in the world, Mr. Knotts was requested to visit the board of directors, in New York, to consult with them relative to the securing of the most practical location for their plant, preferably at some point on the Great Lakes. Mr. Knotts here found the opportunity of presenting his plan, to unite the interests of employer and employe. His ideal dream in the consummation, of which was to construct, in conjunction with the model plant, a

occupies, Mr. Knotts also considered in his selection its ideal surface in every way.

Those who knew this stretch of country only as a waste space of drifting sands, were amazed to learn of the proposed erection of the mammoth steel mills and allied products, and scoffed at the idea of any one ever living in such a place. Mr. Knotts, however, knew the country thoroughly and for many years had the vision of the wonderful dunes possessing the beauty and vegetation of mountain, valley, forest and plain.

Dr. George Crane
Tolleson School
Gary
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After Mr. Knotts was officially commissioned to go ahead with his plans, the steel magnates established him in his Chicago office in the Rookery Building, where he was kept busy constantly planning the future of Gary.

Hundreds of school superintendents, hungry job hunters, applied to him daily, and it is only a man with the wide experience of Mr. Knotts who could successfully cope with these daily and ever changing problems, at the same time engineering the initial construction work.

Among many superintendents who applied to him was one bright young man who especially appealed and stood out from the crowd. After an earnest talk with this applicant, who had an ideal problem in school matters which he wished the opportunity to work out, and which to Mr. Knotts seemed plausible for his model city, he directed Mr. William A. Wirt, until then unheard of, to explain his plans for a new school system to his brother, Mr. Thomas E. Knotts, then in what is now Gary, and who was busy at this end carrying on the work. Mr. Wirt came here, went into a detailed outline of his favorite school system, which later attracted the attention of the world. Mr. Knotts listened to Mr. Wirt and agreed to support him, and he was engaged as the school superintendent and directed to go ahead, in which he was encouraged and supported by both brothers.

Among the many new and original ideas and features which have helped to make Gary the "Model City of the World," and which owe their existence to the originality of Mr. A. F. Knotts, is the installation of all conduits, such as sewer and water pipes, gas mains, electric lines, etc., in the alleys instead of the streets.

Gary is the only city in the world with this economical system of pipe laying, and only those who have actual experience in municipal affairs can realize the thousands of dollars that this one item alone will save a city, to say nothing about the annoyance of having the streets continually torn up for the repairing of these conduits. The saving of this alone has made it possible for Gary to appropriate larger funds for the laying and paving of many more miles of imposing streets.

After laying the foundation for the world's model city, and now that Gary has attained the progress which his ideas gave birth, with its many advantages, its well-housed people, exceptional educational opportunities, good social environment, employment for its thousands of satisfied workers, in which both employer and employee agree, Mr. Knotts retired from active public life, and has now turned his attention toward securing not only for the people of Gary, who owe so much to him, but for the entire industrial Calumet Region, a National Dunes Park, almost at the gateway of Gary.

He interested Senator Thomas Taggart, who introduced a resolution in Congress to preserve intact for the people not only

re, but for the entire United States and for the peoples across the water, one of the grandest natural spots that man has ever seen.

The wonderful sand dunes are accessible to millions of working people and others who are unable to visit the great National Parks of the West, and the Niagara of the East.

Located as it is in almost the center of the United States, it will be a blessing for the millions and for the entire nation, for it is proverbial that anything toward which A. F. Knotts bends his efforts and energies is assured of success. Through his wonderful activities and influence he has interested men of national affairs and repute from Washington, D. C., and has organized the National Dunes Park Association, composed of leading men and women of every profession and walk in life. Thus Gary, already world famed for its prosperity, rapid growth, industry, a model city in every way, in which strikes between capital and labor have been unknown and unthought of, will receive through the foresight and untiring efforts of Mr. Knotts (without any hope of material gain for himself) a National Dunes Park in the heart of the greatest industrial region of the world, and where it rightfully belongs, by every unwritten natural law, a park for the deserving and appreciative working, and the busy, people of the world.

THE "WHY" OF GARY

Because of the rapid increase in the business of the United States Steel Corporation it became necessary in 1905 to make a considerable increase in its plant.

The more or less congested conditions surrounding the various existing establishments led the Company to search for a site where a large area of land could be purchased at a reasonable price, which could at the same time be located within economical hauling distance of the great centers, from which the supplies of ore, coke and limestone could be derived.

Such a location was found in the state of Indiana on the south shore of Lake Michigan, some 25 miles south of the city of Chicago.

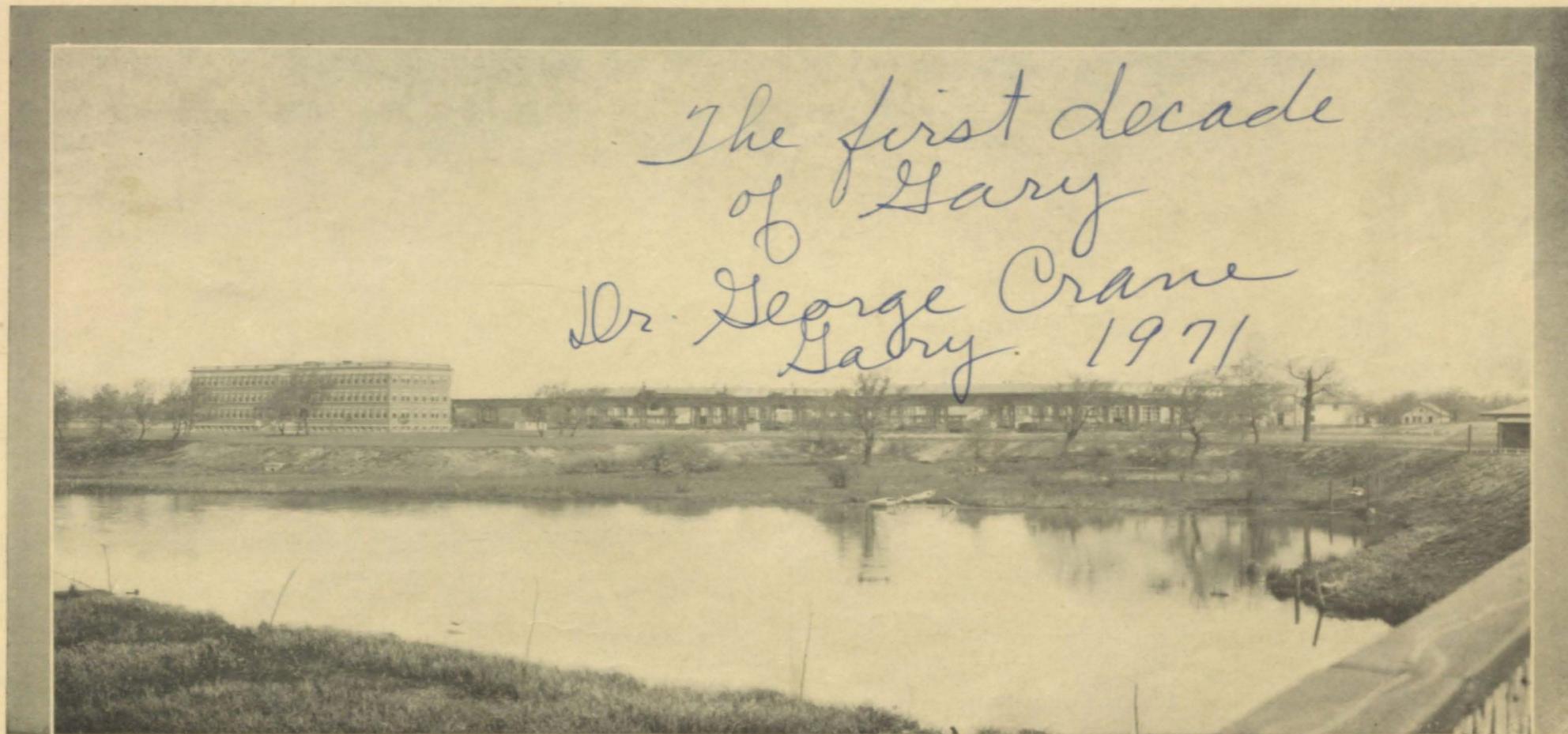
Here the company purchased a tract of over 9,000 acres with a frontage on Lake Michigan of seven miles. One thousand acres of this property, including a water front two miles in extent, was selected as the site of the new steel plant. The property was a dreary waste of drifted sand, entirely uninhabited and covered with a scanty growth of grass and scrub timber. It was an ideal location for the purpose, for on one side it was accessible to the ore carrying steamers of Duluth, and on the other side it was served by several trunk railroads, over whose tracks the coke and limestone could be brought in and the finished

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products hauled away, without any intermediate handling or trans-shipment.

With such a virgin site to build upon, the designers of the parts of this, the greatest steel plant in existence, were therefore plant were able to work with a free hand, and the component laid out, with a strict regard to the economical handling of the enormous masses of raw material and finished product. It can be understood that where the total tonnage of material handled

in any industrial establishment runs into the millions, it is of the highest importance that this material shall pass from process to process, from building to building, with as little handling and as short a haul as possible, and in laying out the huge open-air structure and inclosed buildings which cover the 1,000 acres that include the present plant, strict attention was paid to this feature. Besides, advantage was taken of several recent improvements in the science of steel manufacture; notably that of utilizing the



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THE AMERICAN BRIDGE COMPANY GENERAL OFFICE AND WORKS AT AMBRIDGE

A beautiful site on the Grand Calumet and west Fifth avenue, the river dividing the great plant and the handsome suburb of workmen's modern homes, Ambridge. J. H. Webber manages the "Bungalow Restaurant" here, where he caters to thousands of men each day

blast furnace gases, in gas driven power plants, to operate the blowing engine and provide electrical power for the operation of the various mills.

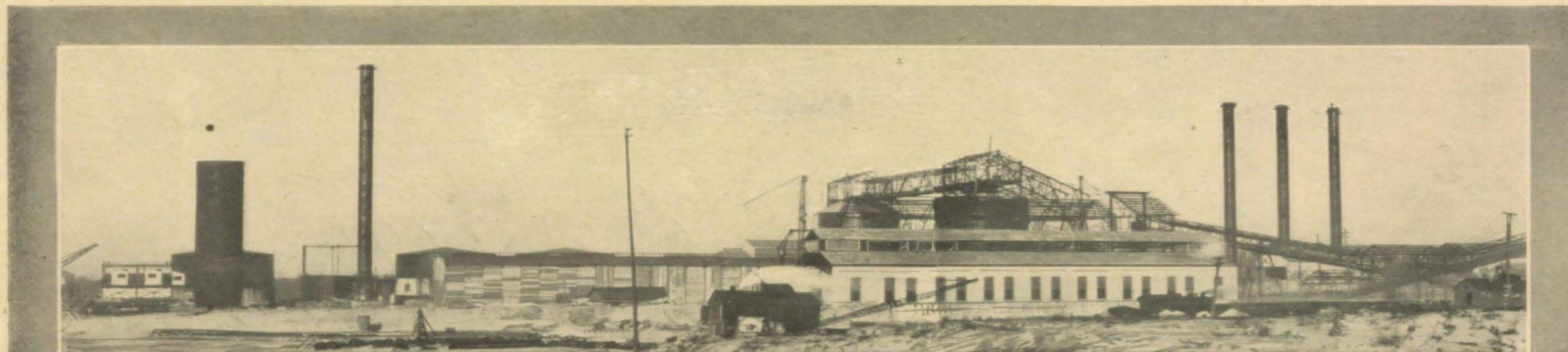
Apart from the vast extent of the plant the one particular feature which has attracted the attention of the engineering world to the Gary Steel plant is the great economy which has been effected by the use of gas driven engines of great size for the generation of practically all the power required for operating the machinery.

Work was commenced in March, 1906, and the equipment started out with a harbor with complete ore-unloading facilities, and a storage yard accommodating 5,000,000 tons of ore, sixteen modern blast furnaces, having an annual capacity of 2,400,000

machinery required by the plant; a water-supply system served by two ten-foot conduits leading from Lake Michigan, with pumps able to supply 170,000 gallons of water per day, under a head of 120 feet; a railway system extending throughout the plant, which includes 125 miles of standard gauge railway track, were among the original plans of the huge plant.

When the big steamers from Duluth arrive at Gary, they enter an artificial canal 22 feet deep and 250 feet wide, which extends at right angles with the shore line for a distance of 4,650 feet inland, when it widens out into a 750-foot diameter turning basin.

The west lock of the canal adjoining the steel works, is formed by a massive concrete retaining wall, back of which, extending parallel with the canal, are the ore unloaders, the ore handling



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THE STEEL COMPANY'S COKE BY-PRODUCT SUBSIDIARY PLANT

Coke ovens consume 12,000 tons of coal per day, producing thirty million cubic feet of gas, furnishing heat and light for Gary. Tar and ammonia sulphate are important by-products

tons of pig iron, six open-hearth furnace buildings, each containing fourteen sixty-ton furnaces. The combined annual capacity of this plant alone was 3,750,000 tons.

A billet mill and a rail mill, the largest in the world, turning out 4,000 tons of rails per day; plate mills; an axle-making plant; and a large group of merchant mills; a blowing plant of 92,000 horsepower, furnishing air to the blast furnaces, operated by gas engines of 64,000 horsepower and steam engines of 28,000 horsepower total capacity; an electric power plant, driven by gas engines of a combined capacity of 20,000 horsepower, for operating the various mills; a complete equipment of mechanical shops, at which all of the repairs can be made and much of the

bridges, and a vast open concrete area, with concrete walls on either side, for the storage of the ore for winter use.

The steamer is moved alongside the concrete bulkhead, and as soon as the hatches are off, the unloaders thrust their 17-ton buckets into the holds, bring up the ore, deliver it to a conveyor car, which runs back and discharges it into a trough on the edge of the stockyard, or into a hopper on the machine, from which it can be shot into cars. With the Hulett unloaders are Hoover and Mason traveling conveyor bridges. These huge structures are each about 500 feet long, extending from the concrete trough into which the Hulett conveyors discharge, clear across the whole width of the stockyard. Each bridge is provided with a 17-ton

grab bucket, picking the ore up from the trough and depositing it in the stockpile, from which it is picked up again as it is needed and loaded into the blast furnace supply cars. The giant steel ore unloaders each carry seventeen tons on a single load, when thrust into the hold of an ore ship—for its giant handful of metal—its impact causes the vessel to quiver like an aspen leaf.

The object of the huge storage yard is to enable the Company to provide a sufficient supply of ore to operate the plant during the five months of the year when lake navigation is suspended.

building harbors, moving railroads, draining swamps, leveling sand dunes, means that when Gary was founded in 1906 it was not only a wilderness but also a very forbidding one.

NAMING GARY

Gary was named after Judge Elbert H. Gary, a Chicagoan, born and raised in its beautiful and classic western suburb—



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TWENTY ACRE PLANT OF GARY BOLT & SCREW WORKS, EAST GARY

Some of the many big projects carried out by the city of Gary may be contemplated from the following example.

In erecting the mills, the builders moved the Grand Calumet river and moved it one-half mile from its ancient bed, and gave it a perfectly new canal. Then they moved twenty-five miles of the B. & O. track the same distance.

When the city of Gary was incorporated in 1906 it contained less than 15 square miles of territory. It has, however, already annexed the towns of Buffington, Clarke and filling in the lake,

Wheaton, Illinois, DuPage County. He practiced law and as counsel for the Federal Steel Company his ability attracted the attention of Carnegie, the late Morgan, Perkins, Gates, and other financiers.

His rapid advancement to the chairmanship of the United States Steel Corporation is national history.

Judge Gary had nothing to do with the naming of Gary, and when our city was christened the board of directors composed of Messrs. A. F. Knotts, E. J. Buffington, G. G. Thorpe and K. K.

Knapp chose his name to commemorate his innate honor, ability, philanthropy and model traits. Upon his return from Japan to Gary the past year, on his tour of inspection with the gentlemen just referred to, he was agreeably surprised to see the \$45,000,000.00 worth of new plants that had been started since his last visit here.

police. He resigned and with his family came to Gary where he became its first Postmaster and was elected President of the Gary Town Board.

July 30, 1906, when Gary became a city, the citizens chose him as their first Mayor. Gary's present high standard owes much or perhaps everything to his wise and able administration.



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CITY HALL AND MUNICIPAL BUILDING

The founder of Gary was A. F. Knotts while his brother, Thomas E. Knotts, was its first settler and mayor. Mr. Thomas Knotts was born in Ohio, educated in Indiana and came to Hammond in 1891, when he was sergeant and later became chief of Hammond's

Since all the sewers and the real foundation of the city was laid under his jurisdiction Gary's flourishing present civic conditions owe everything to a correct beginning in that because it was started aright, going clear beyond what is usual for a city of

this size. Due to Mayor Knotts' farsightedness, enterprise, excellent judgment and business ability he planned in advance for a city of 150,000 population. It was a difficult thing to raise taxes, but success is his watchword.

Strangers within its city gates have often remarked of his innate kindness, interest and cordial welcome of this Mayor.



HON. THOS. E. KNOTTS
Gary's first settler, voter and
mayor

Pioneers, at their annual banquets, recount their different experiences and never tire of telling when, in the early days, "Tom's" post office consisted of a shoe box, and the railway passenger station consisted of two empty box cars.

A BRIEF SKETCH OF THE FOUNDER OF GARY

The record of Hon. A. F. Knotts as a citizen, a lawyer, a city official and a legislator has been one of conscientious fidelity for the promotion and best interests of his home community in particular and the great Calumet region in general. It is due to his energies that Hammond has a superior court and a handsome court building. As Mayor of Hammond in 1902 he awoke that city to its greater possibilities and effected many reforms during his administration that created in that city civic, industrial and commercial pride in itself, and placed it in the ranks of cities of high magnitude, and put it on the map, so to speak.

While Gary is the acme and fruit of his greatest achievement, for he has "truly builded a city," he will now obtain for the States and Nation a wonderful Dune Park.

Indiana has many sons, both native and adopted, of which she may be justly proud. One in the first rank and file is the subject

of our sketch, Hon. A. F. Knotts, born in Highland County, Ohio, February 29, 1857. He was brought up on a farm near Medaryville, Ind., and had received his early education in the country schools. He afterward taught school and the Medaryville high school.

After entering the Valparaiso Normal, and in five years graduating in the scientific, classical, engineering and law departments, he was made President of the Central Indiana Normal School and Business College at Ladoga, in which capacity he



HON. A. F. KNOTTS
Founder of Gary

remained for two years. He then entered another field of activity and was elected county surveyor for Porter County, Indiana, in 1886.

He had now laid the foundation for his larger life in his thorough school and business training. He began vigorously the practice of law in Hammond in 1887 and was elected Joint Representative for Lake and Jasper Counties in 1898.

Through the Legislature he succeeded in securing a court house in Hammond, thus gaining practically a new County seat for the north end of the County, Crown Point being miles away. He thus won an individual distinction. Upon his return to Hammond he was elected Mayor in 1902, at a time when strikes, riots, lockouts, graft and moral degeneracy, together with the sudden

loss of the packing house industries, Hammond's mainstay, made the sky look heavy and dark for Hammond.

There were now but three industries left, in a short time this City recognized that its Mayor was wide awake, energetic, resourceful, hopeful, practical and tactful, a man who did and accomplished things. Eleven new industries were planted in Hammond during the two years that Mr. Knotts was Mayor, and throngs of employed men learned that work at good wages was better than quarrelling in idleness and want.

Employers and employes shook hands and congratulated their Mayor and his co-workers.

His reputation for doing things while in Hammond won for him the attention of Judge Elbert H. Gary of the United States Steel Corporation. It was the flag that stopped the train of opportunity at his station, which he promptly boarded and upon which he has been taking others with him on a straight, broad-gauge track, express time, at his new and daring creation, the City of Gary. The pages of Mr. Knotts' numerous public acts constitute a book of interesting biography. His name is written on the industries of Hammond, engraved at the very foundation of Gary, and written on the "Sands of Time" of the Great National Dunes Park of the Calumet Region, of Indiana, for America.

The great purpose in the life of Mr. Knotts is exhibited in his love for the worker, his solicitude in their welfare, to see them satisfied, well paid, well housed, well educated, happy, contented, with harmonious conditions between employer and employee.

The prosperity of Hammond, the ideal City of Gary and the National Dunes Park will ever remain monuments to the untiring efforts, unselfish zeal, his interest and practical and altruistic devotion toward the welfare of his fellowman.

THE "LAYOUT" OF GARY

Twelve years ago, April 18, three civil engineers from the United States Steel Corporation alighted from a Lake Shore train, now the Union Station. These men were Capt. A. P. Melton, Ralph E. Rowley and T. H. Cutler, wading through the sands and marshes, they reached the Grand Calumet River, which they forded to reach the club houses upon the shore of Lake Michigan. These men surveyed the lines upon which Gary and the mammoth steel mills are now located. Undaunted by this desert waste of yellow glistening sand, these men had quite a different proposition before them compared to a survey at the present moment.

Captain A. P. Melton is now temporarily in France. Capt. Melton, during the administration of former Mayor Thos. Knotts, acted as city engineer and had charge of installing Gary's mam-

moth sewer system. Ralph E. Rowley is Assistant Superintendent of the mills and President of the Gary City Council.

Mr. T. H. Cutler is a well-known engineering contractor of the firm of Cutler & Yeagy.

While these gentlemen who laid out the prosperous city of Gary were confronted by this wild scene of desolation and barren waste of sand their advent into the region was naturally quite different from that of men who strayed into the location with no hope in sight. This surveying party came as employes of a big and mighty steel corporation, backed by millions, and knew before they run the first surveyor's chain that a big industry and a model city were to be planted at the same time, and that there could be no such thing as failure. Even at that it required brave hearts to remain in such a desolate region, but this surveying party having the metal that make strong men, not only performed their duty, but settled right down in Gary, and have remained here ever since, and are today numbered among Gary's most energetic representative citizens, and have a foothold that nothing can dislodge them from, and have made themselves useful and influential citizens, who are held in high esteem in the business and administrative affairs of Gary.

As a forerunner of present-day rapid transit we note that in 1893 Judge W. H. Fitzgerald, now of Gary, and his father, came here as pioneer engineers, superintending the construction and laying of the first railroad tracks between the towns of Hammond, Whiting and East Chicago, which now connect up with Gary.

Another pioneer active in the creation of Gary was the late John Kirk, superintendent of the E. J. & E. railway freight yards—the Kirk yards—greatest train clearing house in the West, who directed transportation during Gary's formation period.

MAYOR JOHNSON'S CONSTRUCTIVE ADMINISTRATION BY ALFRED JONES

Mayor Johnson's administration, which began in January, 1914, has been one of the most successful in the state.

For one thing, while the city has over doubled in population, going from one of 30,000 to 75,000, and while Gary has advanced from the fourth to the second class, the cost of city government has practically been the same.

The park system has been extended to the east side, Tolleston and south side. A boulevard system has been worked out and a lake front bathing beach secured.

Gary's 125 miles of paved and 130 miles of unpaved streets have been kept in good condition. Taxpayers have been saved

hundreds of thousands of dollars in assessments by the bureau of street repairs.

Water has been extended to Ridge Road and other parts of the city. The mayor's term has also witnessed the completion of the giant trunk sewer systems in Tolleston, Lincoln Park, Ridge Road and the starting of the \$350,000 West Gary sewer.



MAYOR R. O. JOHNSON, '17

With practically the same force as when the city was half the present size Mayor Johnson has policed the city in excellent condition. This despite the floating population, the flocking of thousands of munition workers to Gary, the lack of housing conditions, and the growth of motor traffic.

Complete motorization of the fire department has been accomplished, and the savings alone in reduced fire insurance rates is equal to the total amount of taxes paid. Gary last year, due to its efficient fire department, had a total fire loss of only \$26,000. Additional protection is given to the city in the shape of a new fire station at Fifth Avenue and Pierce Street. Electrically equipped it is the most modern in the United States.

He reduced the cost of city government and obtained a double wage increase for city employes. He aided in getting Gary Superior Court facilities.

Mayor Johnson was the first chief executive of any American municipality to acquire Liberty Loan bonds for the city treasury.

Roswell O. Johnson was born April 23, 1872, in Adams County, Indiana. He is the son of Joseph Johnson, a farmer. Young Johnson was educated in the public schools of his county, was graduated from the Tri-State Normal College and the Indianapolis Law School. He read law in Decatur, Ind.

Born an orator, a clever campaigner and a close student of the questions of the day Mr. Johnson, when he was but 26 years old, was nominated for State Senator in Indiana on the Republican ticket.

Attracting wide notice by his ability in this campaign the young man was appointed by William McKinley, President of the United States, to be collector of customs in the district of Arizona. In Arizona Mr. Johnson entered local politics and became a judge at Douglas.

In 1910 Mr. Johnson located in Gary. With Eastern Indiana friends he founded the Indiana Sales Company and developed the Schug Park and Woodlawn Park subdivisions in the Ridge district.

As a lawyer and business man, socially as an Elk and a member of the University Club and politically as a campaign orator for President Taft's re-election in 1912 the young Indianian from the west soon made a mark in the wonderful new city.

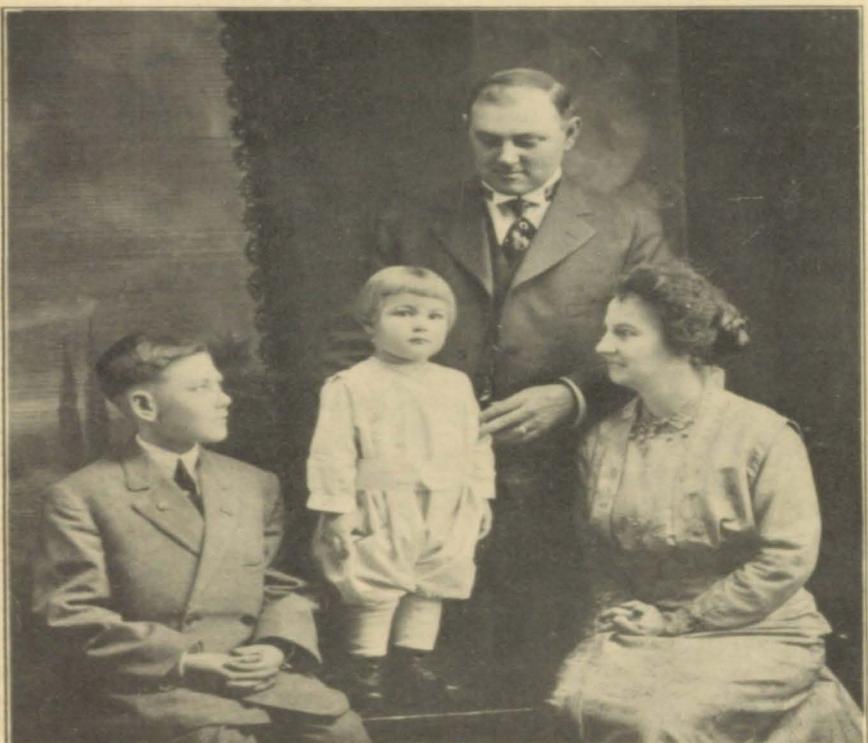
In 1913 the Republican, Progressives and Independent Democrats decided to have no Republican, Progressive or Independent Democratic ticket in the field, but instead to have a non-partisan party. It was known as the Citizen's Party, having Dr. Frank W. Smith, chairman at that time of the Republican Central Committee also as the head of the Citizen's Party. The party nominated Mr. Johnson for mayor. His chief competitor for the nomination was Judge C. E. Greenwald. Mr. Johnson was elected on this non-partisan ticket by an overwhelming majority.

Mayor Johnson's success as head of the city government caused him to be boomed for the governorship, and in 1915-16 he made a whirlwind campaign for the Republican nomination

for Governor of Indiana. Only the fact that a poor man cannot bear the expenses incidental to a state-wide primary made him withdraw.

In 1916 the mayor was elected and now holds the position of vice-president of the American League of Municipalities, an organization of mayors of the United States and Canada.

While non-partisan in municipal polities the mayor is a staunch Republican in county, state and national affairs. He is a member of such organizations of Republicans as the Harri-



MAYOR R. O. JOHNSON AND HIS INTERESTING FAMILY

son Club of Lake County, the Columbia Club of Indianapolis and the Hamilton Club of Chicago.

Mrs. Johnson was Miss Alice Leone Browande, a school teacher of Kendallville, Ind. The Johnsons were married in 1901. They have two children, Roswell, 15, who is being educated in the Gary public schools, and Richard, 5 years old.

Mrs. Johnson is a woman of personal charm, who devotes

herself to her husband and her children. She is domestic in her tastes, yet finds time to take part in club, civic and social work. She is a firm believer in her husband's success and is proud that the most famous public schools in the world are a part of his administration.

CITY GOVERNMENT OF GARY

City election every four years. Council meets first and third Mondays of each month in City Hall, 36 East Seventh Avenue.

CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor, Roswell O. Johnson; Comptroller, James A. Patterson; Clerk, Herbert C. Francis; Treasurer, W. D. Hunter; Engineer, W. P. Cottingham; Attorney, G. S. Widholm; Commissioner of Public Works, George H. Manlove; Building Commissioner, Walter Dougan; Health Commissioner, Dr. C. M. Reyher; Plumbing Inspector, E. T. Doyne; Judge, Wm. M. Dunn; Chief of Police, Wm. A. Forbis; Chief of Fire Department, W. D. Grant; Food Inspector, Frank Hubinger.



THE CITY COUNCIL OF GARY DURING A BUSINESS SESSION
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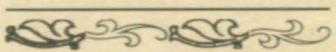
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Prominent in Gary and
Lake County



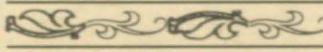
LEWIS E. BARNES
Sheriff of Lake County, Ind.



FRED STULTS
Resident Deputy Sheriff, Gary, Ind.



WM. H. OLDS
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BOARD OF SAFETY

Alfred Carlson, K. M. Burr, Harry Sultzbaugh.



GARY'S BOARD OF SAFETY

Harry Sultzbaugh, President; Fire Chief Wilfrid Grant; A. G. Perry, Secretary to Mayor Johnson; Carl Stout, Alfred Carlson

GARY'S ADMINISTRATIVE GOVERNMENT A STRONG FACTOR

Gary's City government is of the conventional councilmanic system, but there is much sentiment to change it to the commission form of government with a general manager. There is a strong police force, consisting of seventy-eight officers, well organized and capable of effective service. The fire department is up-to-date and equipped with automobiles and drilled to be on the dot in ten seconds. There are fifty-seven men, nine pieces of

apparatus, and six fire stations with such efficient service serious losses by conflagrations seldom occur, and Gary is considered almost a fireproof town.



Walter Dougan, Building Commissioner and his Deputy, Miss Dougan

"FOREWARD," THE SLOGAN OF GARY'S GREATNESS

The great United Steel Corporation has poured money into plants and enterprises here by the million and tens of millions, the amount up to date invested being probably not less than \$125,000,000,000.00.

At present there are several enterprises, one, the Tube Plant, is of the first order. Building is being carried on in all parts of the City, regardless of the fact that materials are unusually high in price and even then difficult in some specialties to secure.

Improvements, new additions and buildings for the past year has amounted to a fabulous amount.

But the most remarkable thing about Gary is that a great steel producing plant, a school system which revolutionizes conventionally accepted notions, a City with all the organs of functioning, a civilization which has sprung too suddenly from the sand dunes to permit of stratification, has produced a flourishing and normal democracy, which has arisen here in 12 years.



GARY'S FINE POLICE FORCE, '17

Reading left to right, first row—Serg. Ross Boyer, Capt. Thos. Matthews, Chief of Police Wm. A. Forbis, Mayor R. O. Johnson, Capt. T. E. Aydelotte, Sergt. Frank Gliniecki. Second row—Officers A. Meyers, Tony Malone, Anthony Temske, J. A. O'Brien, Mike Negovan, J. Boley, T. Mayerski, Matthiesen, T. Mazylnski. Others officers are Peter Person, chief of Bertillion; R. G. Rambo, Martin Rowan, Ephriam Reia, Mike Tikulja, Dilburn Titus, Geo. Smelska, Alex Schultz, Mike Smigelski, Thos. Smyth, Nick Stathes, Clarence Ludlow Brownell, Chas. Witty Wilson, Mike Yanitor, Edw. Zukowski, A. Ahrends, Alex Johnstone, A. H. Jones, Andy Wytor, John Conroy, Wm. Burkes, Wm. Charlton, Stanley Buckland, Fred Couk, Wm. Cross, Louis Curtis, Mike Danch, Louis Elsner, Geo. Evans, Sergt. E. J. Giller, Henry Gust, Alex Helin, Edw. Haack, Martin Johnson, C. Kovachevich, C. Klasner, Wm. Kriewitz, Geo. Lee, W. J. Linn, Iryl Kidwell, Jim Lish, Jack Loyd, Louis Manalin, Jos. Mather, Wm. Marquardt, Fred Metzler, Sergt. Wm. Miller, Jack Nesser, Chas. O'Donnell, D. A. Pruitt, Walter Petkey, Nick Bikos, Mrs. Nora O'Hara, police matron. Gary's first patrol sergeant and captain of police under its first mayor, Thos. Knotts, was Charles Catey, now a constable. Its second officer was Frank Chambers.

GARY'S POLICE DEPARTMENT TAKES FIRST RANK

Gary's police department is one of the most perfectly organized bodies in the state. Headed by a chief, an assistant chief, a chief of Bertillion, and subordinate officials, backed up by a phalanx of minor officers tried and true, totalling about seventy in all. Men who stand ever ready at all times to risk their lives so that Gary's citizens may be properly protected.

During the former administration W. C. Forbis acted as chief and R. Glen Rambo as chief of Bertillion. With the incoming administration Mr. Rambo was made chief of police and Mr. Forbis was placed in charge of the Bertillion and made assistant



GARY'S CITY COURT

Judge Wm. M. Dunn, Presiding; Martin Johnson, Bailiff.
Standing to right of Judge Dunn is City Clerk H. C. Francis.
Prosecutor Clyde Hunter questioning the prisoner.

chief. Desk Sergeant William Miller, Gary's first officer and longest in service, retains his position with this body and is entering his eleventh year of efficient public service. He is held in high esteem by the entire populace.

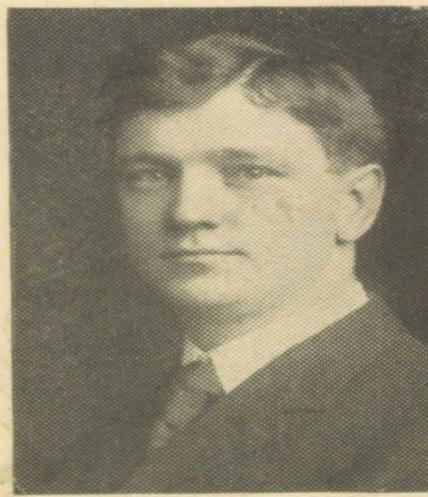
Chiefs Rambo and Forbis are men of keen intelligence, high moral standing and have the ability for the positions which they hold. During 1917 the total number of arrests made were 4,221 white and 1,350 colored, totaling 5,571. The fines and costs amounting to \$1,500,591. While many have been apprehended and turned over to other authorities.

At the outbreak of the great war in Europe this efficient department kept good order among the 52 nationalities comprising Gary's foreign quarters. Many of the Gary police force are linguists, some speaking as many as 10 languages. Not least among Gary's police force are its two active policewomen—Mrs. William MacNeill and Mrs. Nora O'Hara.

GARY'S NEW SUPERIOR COURT

By CHARLES WOODCOCK

Gary is proud, and justly so, of its new court, presided over by Judge Charles E. Greenwald. To Mr. Greenwald Gary owes much, for it was he who was in a position to know that Gary, owing to its rapid growth, distance from Crown Point and Hammond, and the congested condition of the court dockets, was badly in need of a separate court. He, with others, labored with the solons in the State Legislature for a separate court in Gary,



JUDGE GREENWALD

and the strong pressure brought to bear won the day. Gary's court room is regularly equipped and, while handsomely furnished, is crowded during court hours, and Judge Greenwald keeps his mill of justice grinding steadily, and the convenience received by the Gary litigants is worth the time and expense donated by Garyites to secure the court. Judge Charles E. Greenwald, who, by his own efforts, has steadily risen from a modest, energetic lawyer in Whiting, to his present prominent

Tyler Park, on Tyler Street and 15th, occupies an area of 12 acres and was donated to the city by the Gary Land Company. Its dance pavilion was erected at a cost of \$16,000.00.

Tolleston Park, at 15th and Ellsworth, covers an area of 15 acres and has two fine tennis courts and a baseball diamond.

in offices a chance to exercise. In the winter the pool is a great skating rink.

When in Gary citizens think of our parks and playgrounds and call to mind a mental picture of "Uncle Tom" Peel, Gary's first park policeman.



Courtesy of W. G. Wright

JACKSON PARK—SHOWING THE LARGEST STEEL AND CONCRETE WATER TOWER IN THE WORLD

Jackson Street Playground, considered one of the safest and finest in the state—well lighted, with tennis courts, a pool and every modern equipment for health and pleasure. Its doors are open to the public as early as 5:00 A. M. to give those employed

It was our "Uncle Tom" Peel who instituted the annual Haloween pageant in which Gary's thousands turn out "enmasse," representing every variety of costumes from every country on the face of the globe and here is where fancy runs riot.

For every participant "Uncle Tom" has a prize. Children from South Gary's foreign quarters, picturesquely attired in the costumes of all nations vie with their fanciful bright hued attire



THOMAS PEEL—"Uncle Tom"
Gary's First Park Policeman

with those of the north end. "Uncle Tom" has made a place for himself in the heart of every loyal Garyite.

WHAT THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT HAS DONE

In the Department of Public Works economy and efficiency has been the watchword. Public contracts were let at a lower figure than before. The sewer cleaning and repair department has taken care of the sewers, etc., very effectively, while the appropriation and money expended for same has decreased 30 per cent.

The street repair department, a practically new feature of the city administration, has worked out admirably and is a money-saver to the city. Formerly this work was let by contract. With the establishment of a commodious plant and a well organized force of competent workers the cost of maintaining our streets in good order has been cut in the middle. The year's work in

this department has been satisfactory to the administration and demonstrates that no mistake was made in establishing the street repair department.

W. P. Cottingham, city engineer, with Mr. Owen O'Malia, superintendent of street repairs, in their report for 1917 showed a grand total of miles paved, 124.91; repaired, 24.90, and a grand total percentage repaired of 20 miles.

Total miles of sewers laid, 72.06. He shows a revenue from the engineering department for 875 sewer permits, \$2,557.00; 233 sidewalk permits, \$171.18. The engineering department prepares



GARY'S BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

President George H. Manlove, head of table at right. Wm Cottingham at left end, city engineer. Mr. Peter Lamb, Misses Loretta Bernstein and Humphrey.

plans, directs construction and inspects work on all public improvements, chief among which are street and alley pavements, local and district sewers.

GARY PUBLIC UTILITIES

The City of Gary is fortunate in its public utilities. In this modern day a judicial court has been created for the public welfare and for the public utilities. Instead of a dream it has become a fact in every state of the Union.

It cannot be contradicted that until the advent of these public hearing courts, where all well founded complaints of rates, service and capitalization could be heard, fought and properly

adjudicated, that all public utilities were causes for more or less corrupt local political conditions.

The Gary Heat, Light and Water Company is all that its name implies and more. It is subsidiary to the Steel Company and its power for gas, light (both electric and gas service) and water is obtained as a byproduct from the great steel plant. Naturally, therefore, the primary source of power is obtained at a very low first cost. While the rates in Gary are not as yet consistent with a water power first cost, they are not being increased. The world war has brought about an increase of fifty to one hundred and fifty per cent in the cost of all raw materials. An increase in the cost of public service is therefore an issue as a means of increasing rates during the duration of the great conflict.

The public utilities are facing this problem in every state. Nearly every large city in Indiana will doubtless increase about 30 per cent, in their gas and electric light rates, with the possible exception of Gary, due to its low primary source of power. Mayor Johnson has retained engineers who claimed, after a careful scientific survey of the proposition, that the rates given in war times, should be at least 35 per cent lower than the present rates for gas and electric light and 300 per cent for water, so it will be seen that Gary's success is not only assured, but that its industrial as well as utility corporations are on a real solid fundamental basis, inasmuch as it has a cheap and economical source of primary power, equivalent in cost to the most efficient sources of water power. Gary, therefore, has one of the most desirable features of a western mountain city without any of its disadvantages, enjoying all this without the accompanying mountains, hills, melting water or running stream. However, on the other hand, it is located on the plains of the Great Lakes and on the third largest body of inland water in the world.

In reference to another one of the important public utilities, that of the Chicago Telephone Company, there are now approximately in Gary about 4,000 subscribers. A single party residence line may be obtained for \$3.00 per month, a two party line for \$2.00, and an unlimited single line business telephone for \$4.00 per month.

The "poor man's" telephone, called the four party line, nickel first system, has not as yet made its appearance here. On the basis of other rates it would seem equitable that the Chicago Telephone Company could install four party systems here for \$1.00 per month; in Chicago the guarantee plan for this service is \$1.50 per month. An allowance for excess calls is made on those months showing a deficit. This plan is fair to the company and equitable to the subscriber.

Because of the great national demand for all steel products, as well as its almost unsatisfied demand for raw material, Gary requires adequate telegraph facilities. In this Gary is most fortunate, since the service of the Western Union and the Postal Telegraph systems offer excellent means for communication and shows the greatest annual gains in this section.

GARY'S MARKETS

Food supplies are furnished to consumers chiefly in this city by grocerymen and provisioners, these are supplemented in part by neighboring farmers and crosstown peddlers. These supplies are obtained mainly from jobbers on South Water Street, Chicago, and are as good as the country affords outside of a few select lines.

The proposition was advanced a few years ago to establish a public market, which was done, the location being in front of the City Hall Building on East Seventh Street. That market is held every other morning beginning with Tuesday. There have been times when considerable produce from the neighboring farms could be found at that place, but, on the whole, the public market idea, has gained no large place in the public mind.

Some think it would flourish if established on South Broadway, where the immigrant people form a large per cent of the population, but that can be determined only by experience. One reason why the public market notion has had only a limited success in Gary is because gardening and trucking has been followed but little in the country south of Gary where the only cultivatable lands are located. The result has been that the grocers are able to furnish as good and frequently a better commodity than the local producers.

Conditions in Gary can be said to be not particularly favorable to the development of a public market.

GARY'S EFFICIENT POST OFFICE SERVICE

Thomas E. Knotts was the first postmaster of Gary, being appointed in the summer of 1906. During the first quarter of his incumbency the postoffice did a total business of \$363.05. This was the quarter of July 1 to Oct. 1, 1906. The last quarter he served, Jan. 1 to April 1, 1908, the office did a total business of \$3,187.19.

Mr. Knotts was succeeded by John W. Call in May, 1908, and the present postmaster, H. B. Snyder, succeeded Mr. Call in March, 1915.

The business of the office has shown a rapid growth each year. The stamps sold had increased to \$30,000 for the last quarter of 1917. The stamp business for 1917 was \$92,669.

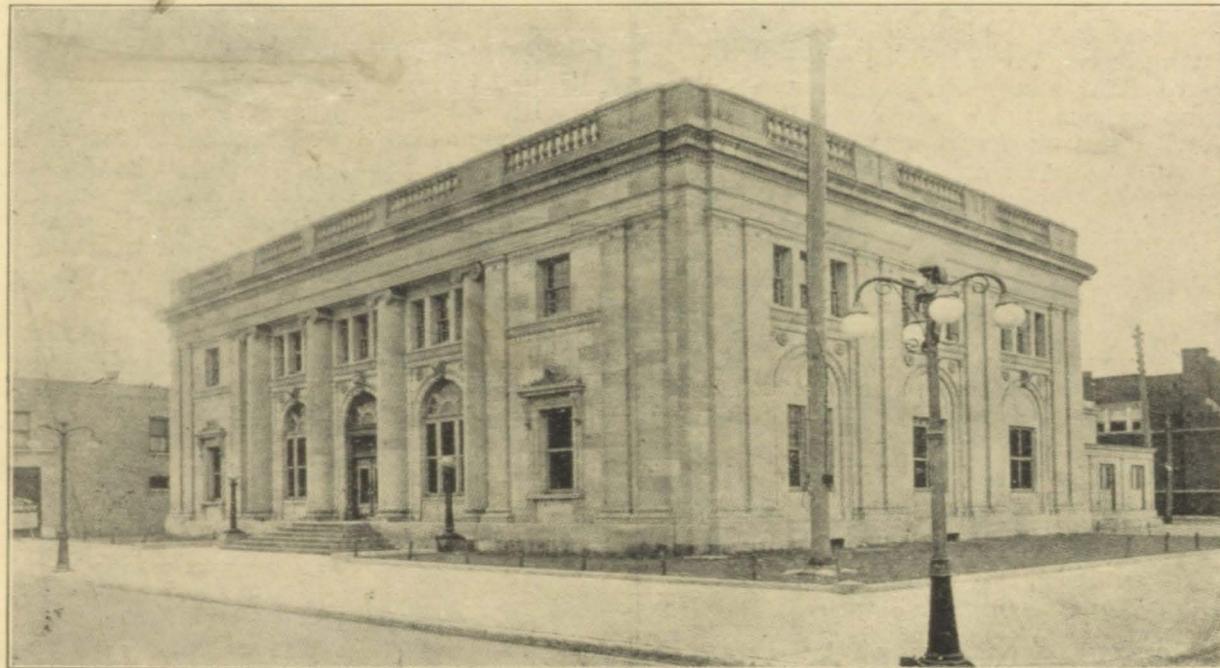
The Gary postoffice has the largest postal savings bank in Indiana with \$640,000 of deposits and it ranks well up with the leaders of the entire country.

The money order business of the post office amounts to 6,000 or 7,000 dollars a year, being exceptionally heavy owing to the proximity of Chicago.

The post office building was erected at a cost of \$100,000, the five lots on Fifth Avenue being contributed by the Gary

Land Company. The building was occupied in June, 1916. All of the offices on the second floor are now occupied by various governmental activities, many of them due to the war.

There are substations at 16th and Broadway, No. 2; Bell Drug Co. on Broadway, No. 3; Tolleston Station at Petersen's Drug Store, No. 4, and Buffington Station at Buffington. Two rural routes have been established under the present postmaster, each known as auto routes and each one being approximately 50 miles in length. They each deliver mail to about 400 families every week day.



Gary Post Office—H. B. Snyder, Postmaster

GARY'S PUBLIC LIBRARY RANKS AMONG THE FINEST

There is also a fine library building, and the Gary Library System is one of the most efficient. There are nine branch libraries and about twenty stations extending the service into three townships, and serving these people in a highly satisfactory manner.

There have been two or three subsidences and accelerations of populations since Gary was founded in 1906, but now with a settled figure nearing the hundred thousand mark it is considered "over the hill" and established.

The Gary Library Building is probably the best specimen of architecture in the City, and one of the finest in the country.



GARY CARNEGIE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Pure classical features. The Carnegie and Steel Company \$100,000 gift in 1912

A WORD ABOUT THE "FOURTH ESTATE"

The "fourth estate," the newspaper enterprise as it is in Gary, indicates the city is a live one. There are three well-edited dailies—the Gary Tribune, Gary Evening Post and the

One reason why Gary is so well known is because of the constant boosting given to it by its newspapers. A new community the press here is a great aid in making everyone acquainted.

When Gary was a week old it had a "weekly" and since then its journalistic history has been one of steady progress.



Courtesy of W. G. Wright

THE GARY COMMERCIAL CLUB

Gary Evening Times. These papers would be a credit to a city much larger than Gary. All three specialize in industrial news and the Times is one of the Times newspaper group that covers northwestern Indiana.

GARY'S COMMERCIAL CLUB

A real live issue of Gary is its Commercial Club, whose membership embraces men who practically represent every line of legitimate business. The club is a formal social organization

and is interested in industrial and social affairs.

It is organized and promotes, fosters and encourages improvements, general business and the commercial welfare of Gary. This club now enters upon its eleventh year with a membership of some 300.

In the fall of 1907 when the business men of Gary were conducting their pursuits in shacks Capt. H. S. Norton with others met at the Binzenhoff Hall, the only one then, and organized with a small membership. They now own a handsome club building on Broadway, erected at a cost of \$75,000 and handsomely

equipped with every means to successfully entertain formal social functions.

Its first noteworthy event was a banquet at which Indiana's governor welcomed Gary to its province of municipalities.

Much of the success of the Gary Commercial Club is due to the ability and management of its president, H. S. Norton, who has been chosen consecutively for eleven years. The officers are mentioned below:

President, Capt. H. S. Norton; Vice President, W. S. Feuer; Secretary, A. D. Schaeffer; Treasurer, E. A. Ridgely; Directors, H. G. Hay, Jr., C. E. Wirt, Louis Dubetz.



Courtesy of W. G. Wright

GARY STATE BANK—FIFTH AND BROADWAY

THE BANKS OF GARY

One of Gary's greatest assets is its banking institutions, whose reputation for stability and soundness has never been questioned. They are safe, conservative and progressive, and are offi-

has never known a bank failure. The growing capital stock, resources and surplus of our banks attest to their soundness and the wonderful growth of the City of Gary.

During the month of August, despite midsummer weather, local bank clearings amounted to four million; in December, 1917,



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BROADWAY AND SEVENTH AVENUE

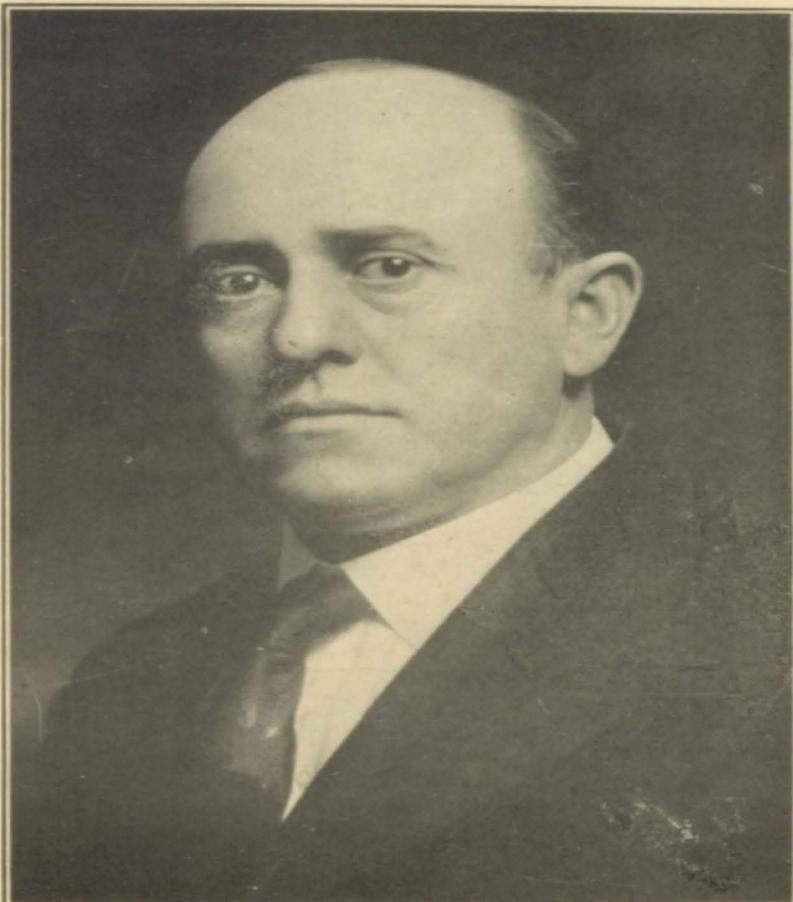
cered by well-known gentlemen of high integrity and business sagacity. Gary, but an even dozen years old, boasts of ten banks, built on foundations as strong as the rock of Gibraltar, and Gary

they were \$40,119,677.71; local bank clearings for 1917 amounted to \$40,995,654.59.

The banking institutions that Gary is so proud of are:

1. AMERICAN CITIZENS BANK

President—Walter Lewandoski.
Vice-President—A. J. Pelka.
Cashier—B. F. Chamski.
Paying Teller—J. B. Kaplan.



FRANK MUSSELMAN
President of the Star Health & Accident Company

2. FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF GARY

President—F. R. Schaaf.
Cashier—E. C. Simpson.
Assistant Cashier—R. R. Hemingway.

3. FIRST STATE BANK OF TOLLESTON

President—G. J. Bader.
Vice-President—Frank Borman.
Cashier—H. W. Uecker.



W. S. MITCHELL
Vice President and General Manager of the Star Health
& Accident Company

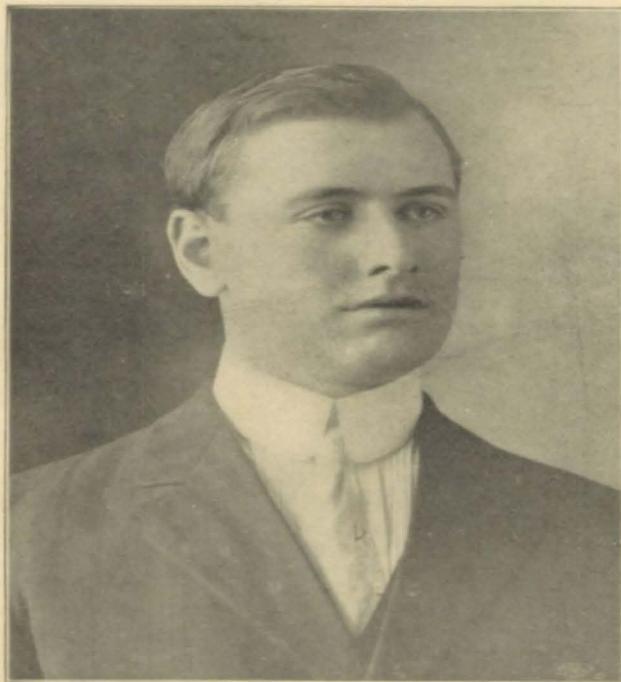
4. GARY STATE BANK

President—H. G. Hay, Jr.
Cashier—J. B. Bailey.

Assistant Cashiers—John Borowski and Paul H. West.
Directors—E. J. Buffington, G. G. Thorp, A. F. Banks, K. K. Knapp, W. P. Gleason and P. W. Seyl.

5. GARY TRUST & SAVINGS BANK

President—E. C. Simpson.
Vice-President—Harry L. Arnold.
Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer—C. E. Johnson.



ANDRE SCHOPPEL
Pioneer and Successful Gary Business Man

6. INTERNATIONAL TRUST & SAVINGS BANK

President—J. W. Albright.
Vice-President—G. J. Bader.
Secretary-Treasurer—C. D. Davidson.
Cashier—John Niemiec.
Teller—G. P. Smith.
Directors—Gallus J. Bader, Fred J. Smith, Charles D. Davidson, John O. Bowers, Albert Bormann, Dr. George S. Greene and J. W. Albright.

7. NORTHERN STATE BANK

President—S. J. Watson.
Vice-President—Harry Watson.
Cashier—W. D. Hunter.
Assistant Cashier—E. H. Paine.

8. SOUTH SIDE TRUST & SAVINGS BANK

President—C. O. Holmes.
Vice-President—Dr. William Feder.
Cashier—T. H. Dauer.
Paying Teller—A. DeFries.

9. UNION TRUST & SAVINGS BANK

President—E. O. Selby.
Vice-President—C. L. Jeffrey.
Vice-President—Edgar C. Selby.
Vice-President—Edward L. Morgan.
Cashier—Don F. Van Liew.

10. NATIONAL BANK OF AMERICA

President—W. A. Wirt.
Vice-President—C. E. Wirt.
Cashier—C. R. Kuss.

Tom Taggart said that Gary might be bigger than Indianapolis. It is said that in the number of banks we already exceed those of the Capital City.

GARY'S UNIQUE SCHOOL SYSTEM

But by an accidental circumstance, Gary is noted as much for its schools as it is for its steel mills. That circumstance was the location here of Supt. William A. Wirt, who is an educational revolutionist and idol breaker. He has completely reorganized educational thought and reconstructed the philosophy of school work. Mr. Wirt's system goes down to the base of schools, and contemplates children from the standpoint of nature, from real conditions, and is on a plane with the work of Froebel and Pestalozzi.

Mr. Wirt is probably the biggest school man in America, measured by practical efficiency. The fact that he was called to New York City as an advisory expert, when they had the whole country to choose from, makes this conclusion exceedingly probable, if not well nigh inevitable.

The "Gary Idea," as it is sometimes called, is to prepare a pupil in his ordinary school years for life's responsibilities.

It is not based on the old notion of scholasticism and professionalism, but on the probable eventualities of stern experience and real life. Mr. Wirt knows that everybody will not be a doctor, lawyer or preacher, and he does not found his school system on that presumption. He founds his school system on



WILLIAM A. WIRT

the theory that the men and women of the coming generation will be blacksmiths, carpenters, iron and steel workers, engineers, draughtsmen, architects, chemists, business men, farmers, and all callings, with a fair sprinkling of professionals. Knowing that such will be true, he lays the base of his educational system to do the most possible good for all the pupils which depend on his schools for a fair start in life. Pupils are advised to select their vocation while they are in the schools and are given special preparation to fit themselves for this particular calling. By so doing

years of time are saved and the pupils are prevented from spending months and years in the study of those things for which they have no inclination and no apparent fitness. The great central idea of the Gary system is to give such assistance in these school years to the pupils as will most aid them to more completely develop their powers on mind and body and thereby accomplish most for themselves and their fellows. Everything is taught in these schools from iron mongering to banking.

Every pupil is given a fair chance to attain efficiency in whatever craftsmanship, vocation or scientific studies he desires to take up. While the theory of these schools is not that of the old scholasticism, yet every opportunity will be afforded those who desire to prepare themselves for collegiate and university matriculation. The basis of the Gary schools is freedom to work out one's own salvation, but an effort is made to give the pupil wise guidance and direction. Supt. Wirt's philosophy has been widely accepted by progressive teachers and it has a respectable following all over the civilized world. Probably we should say this generally of the progressive educational philosophy, for while Mr. Wirt has been able to make practically more of it than most others or, possibly, any other schools, yet this is due to the fact that a new city was being built here and he had a free and unhindered field, which could not be said of some other progressive pedagogues.

Gary's schools are well known the world over. William A. Wirt is its superintendent and G. W. Swartz the assistant superintendent of instruction. The system has been adopted in New York and was made a political issue during the last campaign. It was also adopted in whole or part in Troy, Pittsburgh, Kansas City, in Texas and California. It has been made a subject of study by delegations from England, Argentina, and a delegation of imperial Japanese representing the Mikado. While here they were shown over Gary by Clarence Ludlow Brownell, who speaks the Japanese language fluently and who is Chief of the City Clean-up Bureau. Mr. Brownell is developing character among Gary pupils—of school age—since this is the formative period and one which will have a more decided effect for good more and more in their later lives. He has instituted a "Junior" department for street and alley cleaning in which more than 150 girls and boys act as Sanitary Inspectors—each one is fully deputized and supplied with an official star or badge inscribed Deputy Sanitary Inspector, Gary, Ind.

This little band of enthusiastic workers use a regular system of report record cards, upon which they jot down the various items in their section of the city, which they wish to bring to the attention of Gary's city officials.



CLARENCE LUDLOW BROWNELL

Fellow Royal Geographical Society, London, Eng.; Fellow Society of Arts; Member of the Japan Society of London; Member of the Japan Society of New York.

Author of *Tales from Tokio*; *Heart of Japan* (Doubleday, Page & Co.); *Japan's Archery*; *Sports in Japan*; *The Great San Francisco*. Lecturer on Current Events in Gary School Auditorium Circuit. Organized the Deputy Sanitary Inspectors of the Public Schools who work for the city survey to make a card index of all the homes and vacant lots of Gary with regard to the tidiness and sanitary condition. The boys and girls as well have cards on which to keep records, each pupil of one particular district. Reports come in once a week so that the entire city is checked up some fifty times a year.

The children are advised as to the best way of securing co-operation on behalf of the owners of property in the work of cleaning

up the city and keeping it clean. They themselves must have their own homes clean, then report cards clean and intelligible, and must be mindful of their manners. If they act up to these requirements they receive official stars which they may wear as policemen wear their stars.

This survey work teaches citizenship and inculcates a sense of responsibility that will stand the pupil in good stead when she or he has grown to man or womanhood. It requires, moreover, no great drain on the pupil's time, an hour or an hour and a half a week being enough. The city gains in cleanliness and health.



THE EMERSON SCHOOL BUILDING
Cost \$250,000—on Seventh Avenue—capacity 2,700 pupils

The total valuation on all school property in Gary is \$837,568.61, including \$721,666.52 on buildings and \$115,902.09 on its contents.

Froebel, the largest school in Indiana, is valued at \$315,062.95; contents, \$40,590.28. Emerson school, \$261,671.88, contents, \$61,159.56. Gary schools are Ambridge, Beveridge, Clarke, Emerson, Froebel, Jefferson, 39th, 24th, 21st, and West Gary schools.

16 yrs. old now if living

Its schools are open day and night, on Sundays, and they are centers for the communities, where adults are taught every branch of industry.

After the vicissitudes of life's eventful career, one's mind resorts to a quiet and peaceful final visiting place; such a one is Oakhill Cemetery, at 45th and Harrison streets, Gary. Located on the Crown Point & Gary Interurban cars, it can be quickly and economically reached. Oakhill Cemetery is naturally adopted for a city of the dead—being picturesque, peaceful and quiet, away from the hum of industrial activities.

Oakhill is artistically divided into about 8,000 family plots, still selling at reasonable prices. A literal and good feature about it is that it is non-sectarian; that the best class of Gary people are making use of Oakhill is jury evidence that it will be their



OAKHILL CEMETERY

general choice of a final resting place.

Its board of directorship are selected from Gary's substantial business men, reliable, conservative citizens. Mr. Joseph P. Grantham being one of its most active men, acting as secretary and treasurer.

Gary's other cemeteries are Waldheim, German Lutheran, Conrad and Calvary cemeteries.

GARY A CITY OF CHURCHES

In any community of progress the churches are fundamental. The laws of civilization require truth, spiritual light and guidance. Gary has many of those beacon lights, and in our cosmopolitan city many nationalities are properly represented.

The pioneer Catholic church of Gary is Holy Angels, which has the largest congregation in the city, served by three priests. Father Thomas F. Jansen is rector. This church is located in West Seventh avenue, between Tyler and Polk streets, and besides the church school building, convent and rectory, it recently had added to it a two-story school building addition.

Father Jansen, besides being the dean of the Roman Catholic clergy in Gary, is also the senior member of all the clergy in the city, having been the first ordained minister of the gospel to conduct divine services in Gary. Father Jansen served as president of the city library board and had a great deal to do with the building of Mercy hospital.

Rev. Fred E. Walton, D. D., started his pastorate with preaching services in the old Broadway theater, now occupied by a store, at 764 Broadway, in 1908. When organized the church had only thirty members. It now numbers 820.

In the next year he built a chapel at the present site of the church, 424 West Sixth avenue. This served till 1914, when a new church was built, one of the best in the county.

The Greek Orthodox church will be one of the most attractive church buildings on the South Side and it will be the largest building of its kind in the city. The church will have a seating capacity of 2,000 persons.

The building will be constructed of white marble and the style will be Gothic. Two belfrys are planned and the dome will be constructed of copper and stained glass.

The main floor will be for the exclusive use of men, while a huge balcony will be occupied by women only.

A dance hall and school are also being planned for the near future. It is probable that the hall and school will be combined in one building, which is to be located on the ten-acre tract owned by the Greeks and which includes the new church site.

Some of Gary's churches are: First Presbyterian, United Presbyterian, Westminster Presbyterian, Roumanian Baptist, First Baptist (Colored), First Reformed, English Lutheran, Swedish Lutheran, Lutheran Trinity, Luther St. John's, Central Christian, Glen Park Christian, Tolleston Christian, First Methodist, Glen Park Methodist, First Methodist (Colored), First Congregational, Christ Episcopal, Holy Angels' Catholic, Gary Neighborhood House, Friendship House and First Baptist.

Roman Catholic Gary Parishes: Holy Angels (English speaking), St. Luke's (English speaking), St. Hedwig's (Polish), Sacred Heart (Polish), Holy Trinity (Slovak), Holy Trinity

(Croatian), New Italian, St. Casmir's (Lithuanian), St. Emerie's (Hungarian), St. Michael's (Ruthenian), Grace M. E. Temple Bethel, First Reformed, East Side Presbyterian, Grace English Lutheran, Central Christian, First Baptist (Colored), Antioch Baptist, First Roumanian Baptist, King Baptist, Greek Rite, St. Emerick's, Hungarian, St. Mary's Polish, St. Emery's Hungarian, St. Hedwig's, First Congregational, St. John's Evangelical, Temple of Beth-el (Jewish), Temple Israel (Jewish), Grace English (Lutheran), Evangelical Lutheran (Slavish), Lutheran, St. John's Lutheran, First African Methodist Episcopal, First Methodist Episcopal, St. Paul's German Methodist, Grace Methodist Episcopal, Roumanian Orthodox, St. Considine Orthodox, St.

isters have united to join in one Gary creed.

I believe in Gary, in her extraordinary facilities and her strategic location.

I believe in the security and promise of her future.

I take pride in her industries and business development.

I believe in the high educational ideal which has produced the "Gary School Idea," and brought our city world-wide fame.

I believe in the Gary churches and appreciate their earnest efforts to bring the blessings of religion to men.

I believe in the philanthropic and charitable institutions of Gary, and rejoice in the manifold benefits they bring to our citizens and others.



THE FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Mary's Russian Orthodox, United Presbyterian, Westminster Presbyterian, First Reformed.

Gary churches and their affiliated societies have gone through the greatest year in their history and it is believed that 1917 has opened a new era in church history in this city. Not only have large strides been made in the city itself, but Gary churches have set examples in organizations and Christian campaigning which are rapidly being taken up by churches in other cities. Gary is now the center for all the M. E. churches, and Gary min-

I believe in good judgment for Gary.

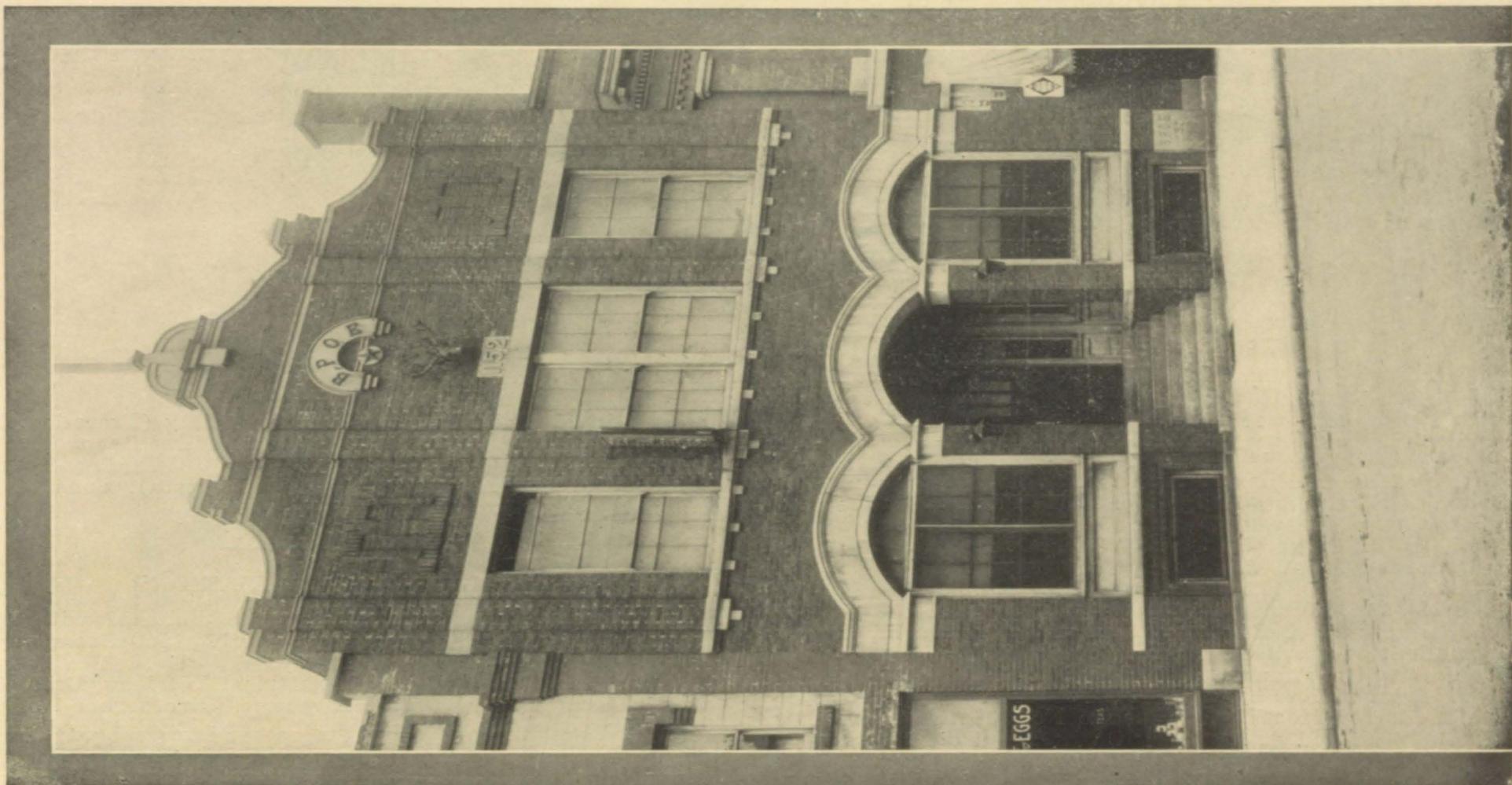
I believe in the people of Gary, gathered from the ends of the earth; in the worth of their character, the loftiness of their ideals, the steadfastness of their loyalty.

I believe that the common interests of all are greater than the particular interests of any, and that the highest good of each can be secured only by seeking the common good of all.

I pledge myself, as a loyal citizen, to give thought and effort to seeking—

The highest welfare of my fellow citizens.
The upbuilding of Gary's welfare institutions and agencies.
The best possible government for my city.
The increase, in number and prosperity, of Gary's legitimate business enterprises.
Churches, Clubs and Fraternal Orders are almost like the leaves in Vollombrosa, they are numbered by the scores and hun-

dreds. Not only are all the standard religions of the Occident represented, but many of the orders of Southeastern Europe, and the clubs of America, Jews, orthodox and reformed, Catholics, both Roman and Greek, and Protestants of nearly all schools are found in Gary. Even Mohammedan Turks make this City their home. Recently many people have come from the South, and thus it is that Gary boasts of its cosmopolitan population.



Courtesy of W. G. Wright
ELKS' TEMPLE—HANDSOMELY EQUIPPED

SECRET AND BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES

That the spirit of social and fraternalism is wide awake is exhibited by the number of clubs and organizations, some of which follow: The University Club, the largest in Indiana; Harrison Club, Gary Musical Club, W. C. T. U., Catholic Woman's League, Gary Woman's Club, Service Club, Departmental Club, Civic Service Club, Gary Gun Club, Gary Hebrew Educational

of America, Gary Camp No. 12667; Woodmen of the World, Gary Camp No. 143.

CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Ban Jelacie Assembly No. 17 (Croatian), Clan Mac Neil No. 193, Order of Scottish Clans; Croatian Library, Croatian Literary



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THE LAKE COUNTRY CLUB
On the "Little Calumet" and Twenty-fifth Avenue

Alliance, South Side Business Men's Association, Gary Commercial Club, Gary Chapter of American Engineers.

Ancient Order of Hibernians, Division No. 3; Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Gary Lodge No. 1152; Catholic Order of Foresters, Leo Court No. 1733; Court of Honor, District Court No. 763; Daughters of Columbia, Court William Rugh No. 47; Independent Order of Brith Abraham, Gary Lodge No. 510; Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Canton Gary No. 5, Genesis Rebekah Lodge No. 734, Helm Encampment No. 356, Steel City Lodge No. 853; Improved Order of Red Men, Garihona Tribe No. 556; Independent Western Star Order, Gary Lodge No. 214; Knights of Columbus, St. Thomas Council No. 1347; Knights of Pythias, Gary Lodge No. 5541; Ladies of Maccabees, Gary Hive No. 136; Loyal Order of Moose, Gary Lodge No. 783; Masonic, Gary Lodge No. 677, F. and A. M., Gary Chapter No. 139, R. A. M., Gary Commandery No. 57, K. T., Gary Chapter No. 365, Order of Eastern Star, Olive Chapter, U. D. D. E. S.; Royal Neighbors of America, Gary Lodge No. 7158; Modern Woodmen

and Political Club, Croatian Singing Society (Preradovich), Gary Hebrew Educational Alliance, Jewish Ladies' Benevolent Society, Ladies' Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Order of Brith Abraham, Sokols (Croatian), Sons of Croatia, Assembly No. 396 of C. N. S.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

Office of all Gary business agents affiliated with American Federation of Labor is in Feuer building, 560 Broadway, phone 310.

American Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 697; Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Brotherhood of Painters and Decorators of America, Local No. 8; Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, No. 743; Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, No. 806; Gary Typographical Union, Local No. 594; Hodcarriers' and Building Laborers' Union, Local No. 41; Cement Workers' Union, Local No. 106; International Association of

Yardmasters, Inc., Journeyman Barbers' International Union of America, Local No. 586; Plasterers' Union, Local No. 406; Street Car Men's Union, Division No. 517, A. A. of S. and E. R. E. of A.; Switchmen's Union, Gary Local No. 47; United Brotherhood Carpenters and Joiners of America, Gary Local No. 985; Teamsters' Union, Local No. 121; United Association of Journeymen Plumbers of the United States and Canada, Local Union No. 433.

ASSOCIATIONS

Gary Home Association, Gary Jitney Association, Kirk Yard Y. M. C. A., Lake Carriers Association.

service to mere entertainment. Likewise the fraternal and secret orders embrace such standard organizations as the Masonic, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Elks, Knights of Columbus and many foreign organizations, with names which do not focus readily on the English tongue.

GARY HOSPITALS

In hospitals, Gary is well supplied. Mercy Hospital is a large establishment and which was supposed to be overbuilt, but in the year following its completion events have not justified that con-



THE MERCY HOSPITAL

MEN AND WOMEN'S CLUBS OF HIGH STANDARD

Of the Men's Clubs, the Commercial and the University Club take the lead among men, and the Departmental, College, Musical and Catholic Woman's League, among women. Besides these there are a great number ranging in their ambitions from social

elusion. Other hospitals are the Steel Mills Hospital, near the big steel works, and the Gary General, which is now adding one of the finest hospitals in Northern Indiana, Sawyer's Maternity and Georgis Hospital. These institutions are all fitted for their special purposes and are fairly well prepared to care for those injuries,

accidents and prostrations which are the frequent concomitant of great industrial activities. Since the wonderful revival in business three years ago, Gary's Hospitals have been taxed at times to the limit.

There is a population of something like seventy-five thousand depending on these local institutions, embracing, as aforesaid, these fifty-two different nationalities to be cared for.

of sending their patients to Gary, because of the careful attention and personal supervision in each case.

The steel mills maintain one of the finest hospitals. Others are Gary General Hospital, Gary Hospital, Mercy Hospital, St. Antonio Hospital, Sawyer Maternity Hospital, and Sisters De Notre Dame Hospital.



Courtesy of W. G. Wright
GARY THEATRE BUILDING—BROADWAY NEAR FIFTH

Gary's hospitals rank among the first, and her patients find themselves under the care of a staff of competent physicians. Provision of every kind is made for the welfare of patients, and its hospitals are supplied with modern equipment and mechanical appliance. Regular physicians from the neighboring towns of Indiana Harbor, East Chicago and elsewhere make a practice

AMUSEMENTS

"All Work and No Play Makes Jack a Dull Boy." When Chicago closed all places of amusement after the lamentable Iroquois fire, which shocked the world from stem to stern, the people nearly went frantic for lack of entertainment, and during

that brief period of suspended amusement it was fully demonstrated that, regardless of the fact that we have churches, lodges, Y. M. C. A.'s and other variety of entertainment, there is nothing that can take the place of the theater. At the present time vaudeville and the movies are in the ascendency, and the "legitimate" has had to take a back seat, which again demonstrates that amusement must be intensified and full of thrills, sensations and hearty laughs, to fully satisfy the work-a-day amusement lovers.

In this line Gary is to the front and is well equipped with handsome, up-to-date play houses, a few of which we mention, viz.: Art Theater, Broadway Theater, Lyric Theater, Orpheum Theater, 20th Century Theater, Venus Amusement Company, Balkan, Cosmo, Eagle, Gary, Grand, and Royal.

HUMANE ORGANIZATIONS AN IMPORTANT CIVIC FACTOR

By Hugo Krause

There are two measures of every true success in life. One is "What have you done for your own advancement?" and the other is "What have you done for others who are associated with you or dependent upon you?"

The first may be answered by a reference to your bank account, but the second can be shown only by the respect and esteem in which you are held by your fellow citizens.

The poet says:

"Count that day lost,
Whose low-descending sun
Views at thy hand,
No worthy action done."

But how is the average business man to determine what worthy acts of benevolence to undertake in the maze of applications for assistance that beset him on every hand? The answer is, first take personal recognition of the most worthy and most helpless, wherever you can, without serious interference with your business; the second is, ally yourself with some organization or collection of individuals who will do the work with you.

Both of these methods should be pursued by every man who professes to be broadly religious and who takes a pride in himself and his city. And no city can be truly beautiful where little children are abused and neglected, where thousands of horses are overworked, overloaded, and overdriven, and fed and housed with little regard to their natural requirements, and where human brutes mistreat the dumb and the helpless.

One of the first things, then, that every good citizen should concern himself with is to see to it that such acts of abuse are stopped, by education if possible, and by force if necessary. If

your city has an Anti-Cruelty or Humane Society, become a member of it, and help it along; if not, see that one is formed and properly maintained. It is one of the strongest moral forces in the community and it does, or should do, the most necessary, unselfish, and practical work, for which its members are rewarded not by the praise of those they have befriended, but by an inward satisfaction which nothing can surpass.



Let every citizen see to it that his city is the best that it can be made, and that he himself is the best his nature can produce. Let him also remember that that citizen is the best who has the best heart, the best character, the largest degree of true charity and sympathy, and who withholds from none of his fellow creatures, whether human or dumb, the respect, privileges, and protection he claims for himself. That is the citizenship to which we must educate ourselves; that is the citizenship to which we must aspire for our own sake as well as for that of our fellow men.

THE GARY YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

Gary is rightfully proud of its magnificent Y. M. C. A.—one of the finest in Indiana. September, in 1911, saw an active body of public-spirited men, among whom were George W. Hunter, W. P. Gleason, A. B. Keller, the late J. Kirk, Capt. H. S. Norton, Dr.

C. A. DeLong, I. Moe, W. S. Feuer, Edward Hale and H. S. Hay, Jr. These energetic men raised \$7,000 in three days toward the initial expense fund, though the Gary Y. M. C. A. is a gift by Judge E. N. Gary and cost approximately \$250,000.

When Gary was founded Judge Gary erected for the new metropolis a fine Young Men's Christian Association building and presented it to the City. Mr. A. B. Dixon is the present secretary, but is now on a six months' leave of absence, doing

Y. M. C. A. war work in France. Mr. Lester Carlander is the acting secretary.

Both of these men are wide awake and efficient officers. This institution is probably the largest and finest in the State of Indiana, and it may be noted here that the University Club and the Froebel School are claimed to be the largest in the State of their kind, thus making Gary pre-eminent and first in these classes as well as her many industries.



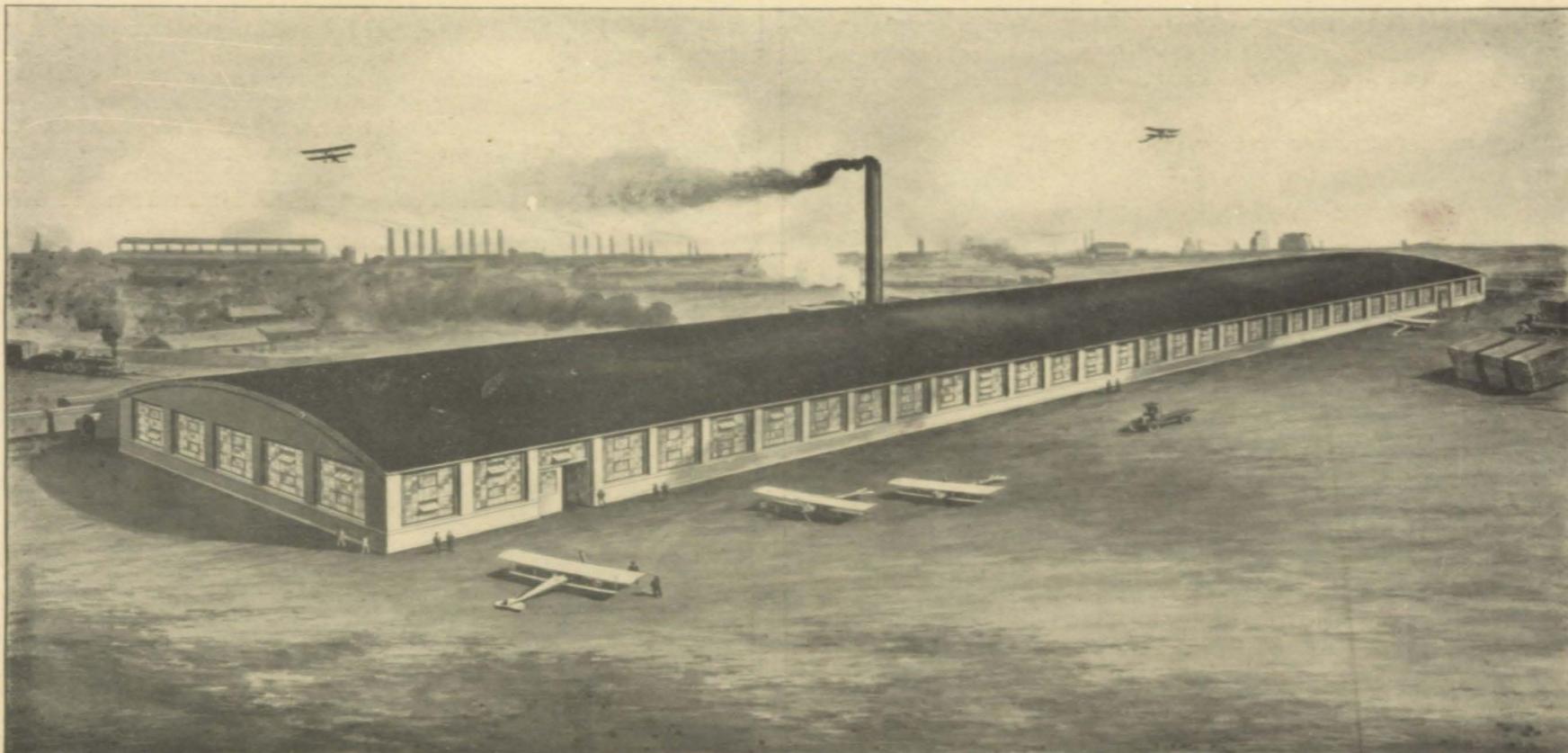
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YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION BUILDING

A \$250,000 gift to Gary by E. H. Gary. The finest Y. M. C. A. building in the State of Indiana

The Gary Y. M. C. A. being the largest and finest in the State of Indiana ranks also in influence and character with the best in the country. Mr. Dixon's assistants, Messrs. Pinneo and Carlander, are active, useful and accommodating, and help well to work out the great purposes for which that institution was founded.

Ohio, the Wabash, the Pennsylvania, etc., there is a complete system of interurbans which connect with Chicago, Michigan City, Valparaiso, Crown Point, Indiana Harbor, East Chicago, and Hammond, these bring our people within easy access to nearly all our neighboring towns and villages. There are at least



PLANT OF THE INTERNATIONAL AIRSHIP CORPORATION, GARY, IND.

This plant is now in process of construction and soon will be ready to build aeroplanes at the rate of fifty per month. The plant is located three miles east of Broadway, on Fifth Avenue. Office 519 Broadway, Gary Building, Gary, Ind.

GARY'S RAPID TRANSIT

In transportation Gary is signally favored. Besides a number of great trunk lines of the leading railroads of the country which pass through this City, such as the Lake Shore, the Baltimore and

four different lines connecting Gary with Chicago. Public utilities to furnish our people water, power, heat and light, are of sufficient efficiency to provide for a population of a quarter or perhaps a half million people. A million dollar water plant was

constructed when Gary was founded and it has been able to supply public and private needs in unlimited quantities. For heat and power the gas liberated by the coke works in greater volume than thus far can be used, furnishes an adequate supply. All who can be commercially reached are provided with gas, power and water to meet every requirement. Pipes are being gradually extended to all portions of the City, and while Gary is spread out both to the south and the west, yet most people are reached. Gary has the most perfect system of streets and alleys and roads of any city in the world, and vast sums of money have



M. M. MARKS
Proprietor General Union News Co.
of Gary
Well known to thousands of travelers

been expended in the City and in Calumet Township to construct highways, and there are some fine drives at the service and temptation of the speeder.

Gary has been called "the logic of locations," situated on such a strategic point of Lake Michigan, Gary's network of rapid transit, via steam, electricity and water, make it a naturally well selected and adaptable place for commerce. There has lately come to Gary an International Airship Corporation, thus adding to Gary a complete and up-to-date means of transport via most

modern means and which will soon be completed. Fifty aeroplanes per day is expected to be its output.

Gary is fortunate in having the best harbors on the chain of Great Lakes, thus making it possible for the greatest ore unloaders in the world to dock here.

Here is located the great Kirk Freight Yards, E. J. & E., a veritable train clearing house, employing twenty-eight engines for switching alone, and handling, literally, hundreds of trains and millions of tons of freight every twenty-four hours. Here also are the Pennsylvania Yards, the C. I. & S. Yards and Shops, the Monon Yards and Shops, the N. Y. Central Yards and Shops, the C. & O. Yards and Shops, and the B. & O. C. T. Shops. The L. C. L. (less than car lots) were recently destroyed by fire, but reconstruction at a cost of more than two millions of dollars, paid jointly by the N. Y. Central, Indiana Harbor Belt and Michigan



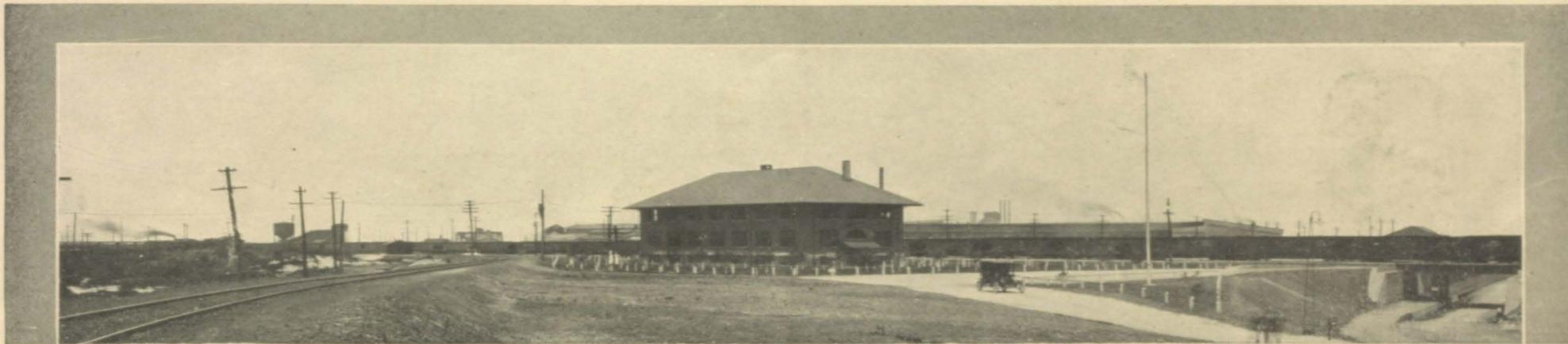
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BROADWAY PLAZA OF THE UNION STATION
N. Y. C. and B. & O. R. R., Broadway and First Avenue

Central railroads, will make this the world's greatest transfer yard. Fifteen trunk line railroads pass through the city, operating 174 passenger trains and approximately 170 freight trains daily. In addition to the steam roads, there are five Interurban Electric lines, furnishing frequent service to the surrounding country, and one-half hourly service to Chicago.

STEEL MILLS

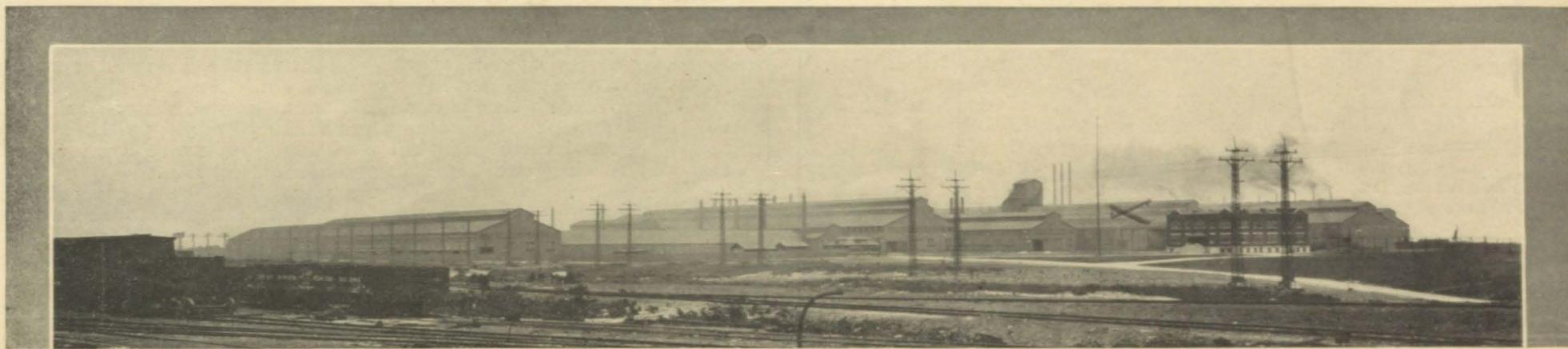
To its industries the people of Gary owe their existence. The great United States Steel Corporation, with its numerous subsidiary plants, furnish employment to between 15,000 to 20,000 workmen, and the wages paid equal, if not excel, those of other industrial centers in the great Calumet region. Steel! Steel! Steel! is the ringing words one hears on all sides. The steel company has spent millions of dollars in erecting its industries and expect to expend other millions in the future. Besides the mother plant—the Indiana Steel Company—which has cost over

\$100,000,000, are a number of lesser plants that have cost millions, mainly among which are: Union Drawn Steel Works, American Sheet and Tin Plate Co., Extension Gary Works, National Tube Works, American Car and Foundry Co., Locomotive Car Works, Baldwin Locomotive, the Universal Portland Cement Co., Bolt and Screw Works, American Bridge Co., and Benzol Plant. There are other individual plants that contribute to the life of industrial Gary. The present payroll of Gary's industries is over \$600,000 per week, or \$100,000 daily, with the prospects for a large increase in the near future.



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General Offices, Indiana Corporation of the Illinois Steel Company



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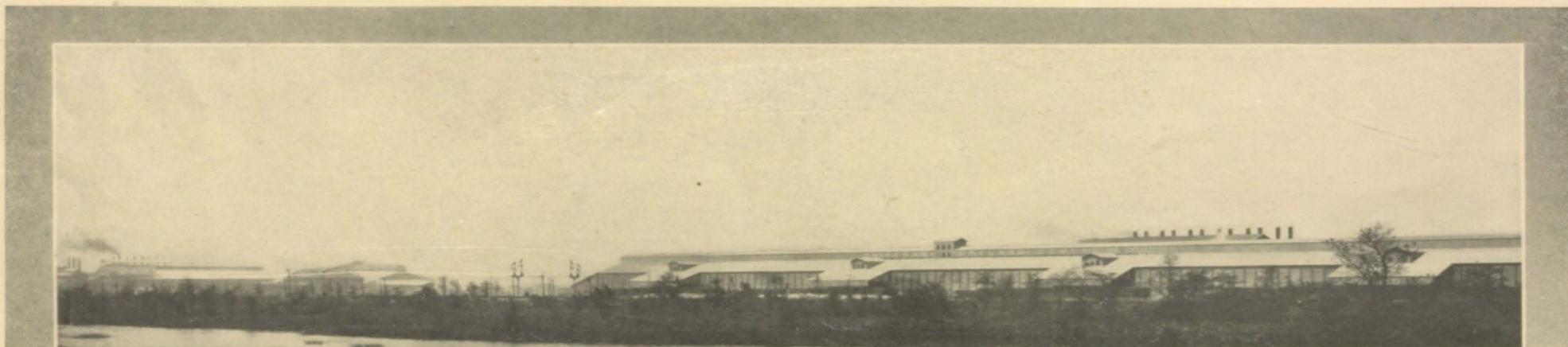
View of Industrial Section of Gary

This is where I used to work ⁴³

W. P. Gleason, superintendent of the Indiana Steel Company, personally familiarizes himself with the conditions and welfare of his men. Free oatmeal, lemons and other provisions are supplied there, while Miss Josephine Jokaitis, the official visiting family delegate, speaks many languages. This lady, because of her kind solicitude toward one and all, supplies their wants and alleviates their suffering in their time of illness and distress. She is employed to call regularly in the many homes.

The company has a splendid hospital and employ every means toward the betterment in living conditions of their men and aim to assist in promoting the moral, intellectual and physical welfare of the people. And there are clubs for the wives—cooking classes, community centers; and everywhere schools, and

Under the Employes' Stock Subscription Plan the workmen are encouraged to become shareholders in the Corporation. Stock is offered to them slightly below the market price, to be paid for by the deductions from their salaries. They have three years in which to pay for each subscription for stock, but from the time the first payment is made on the subscription, the dividends are credited to the subscriber; and the Corporation also pays a bonus of \$5.00 a year on each share of stock. The men regard this stock buying as a good investment. As one of them said at the annual meeting of the Steel Corporation in April, 1914: "We are not compelled to buy stock; we take it as we want it. I find it is a good investment. In fact, you cannot get an investment anywhere where you can pay \$2.00 or \$3.00 a



Courtesy of W. G. Wright

BUFFINGTON UNIVERSAL PORTLAND CEMENT COMPANY PLANT
Producing 50,000 360-lb. barrels per day—250 carloads per day

opportunities for the children of these new-comers to be trained in the essentials of good citizenship.

Since the adoption of the Accident Relief Plan of the United States Steel Corporation, a man injured in the work of the mines or the mills is not compelled to bring suit to recover damages, the company pays him an amount to compensate him for his injury. This is done voluntarily, without any effort on his part; and in cases of fatal accident, a liberal payment is made to the dependent relatives of the injured man. The Voluntary Accident Relief Plan of the United States Steel Corporation was in effect before workmen's compensation laws were in operation in any of the states. Now that workmen's compensation laws have been enacted in many of the states, the Corporation has adopted in each of those states the provisions of the state law.

month on a share of stock and have the interest coming in to you right along from the moment you start."

When a man has served his term of usefulness and has come to the time of rest, the Corporation pays to him a pension sufficient to insure comfort and freedom from anxiety as to his support during the declining years of his life.

The matter of the safety and welfare of the workmen is as much a part of steel making as the direct processes of the industry themselves.

Every mechanical appliance is employed to make the work easy and effective and to preserve the health and comfort of the men while at work.

Gary has social centers, with club facilities, where the men may enjoy games or read in the library. For their children there

are schools and playgrounds. Visiting nurses look after the sick in their homes. Men who are injured in the work are cared for in the company's hospitals.

The Corporation provides comfortable houses, equipped with appliances for heating and lighting, with water supplied through the company's mains, and proper arrangements for sewage and garbage disposal. The men are proud of their houses and their gardens, and there is great rivalry among the gardeners.

men can eat good food at reasonable prices in clean, comfortable surroundings; and when the whistle blows, the workmen can go to sanitary washrooms where they may take a shower-bath and change into their street clothes, which have been hanging up in free private lockers provided in the washroom, and go out into the streets of the town, clean and refreshed.

In places where much foreign labor is employed there are classes for teaching English to adults, and for teaching them the



Courtesy of W. G. Wright

BROADWAY GATE—Indiana Steel Company Plant

Cooled drinking water is supplied to the workmen. At convenient places about the mills are fountains with pure water cooled by passing over ice coils, and so constructed that a workman may drink without touching his lips to the outlet.

Many of the mills have provided restaurants where the work-

principles of clean, wholesome living—making them into good citizens. Judge Gary has defined a good citizen—"one who observes all national, state and municipal laws and is willing to assist in their enforcement, honest and fearless, loyal to home and friends and country.

RAPID ADVANCE IN GARY'S REAL ESTATE

Unlike boom towns, Gary's growth has been phenomenal, yet natural. It is a matter of history that the government surveyor reported this location to be the ideal spot for the building of a city. But men's minds will ever follow women's charms. At the mouth of the Chicago river (Chicago) lived a French trader's beautiful daughter, to whom the government surveyor was an ardent suitor. In a later report to the government, he advised the establishment of a trading post, where now is Chicago.

From a wilderness at nothing per acre to \$30,000 per business lot. From Gary Evening Post, Jan. 15, 1918: \$15,000 for corner of 18th and Broadway. Mr. Joseph W. Ferman just sold this corner, for which his client almost doubled his investment within a short period of time.

"Ted" Benzen has recently sold his apartments at Sixth and Jefferson for \$30,000. The original cost of the building being \$15,000, and two lots \$1,350, thus realizing a profit of \$12,500.



Courtesy of W. G. Wright

GARY HOTEL—Sixth and Broadway

So, but for a woman Chicago would naturally have had birth upon the sand dunes, where is now our Gary.

From shacks to granite banks on Broadway in a short span of time would be a logical consequence.

Gary has broken all records of progress and leads all cities. She is still behind in her requirements—since 4,000 more homes are needed to accommodate the workmen now living in nearby towns but employed in Gary.

Rentals amounting to \$350 per month. This was Gary's pioneer apartment building.

Mr. W. G. Wright, prominent real estate man, has perhaps done more than any one other factor to advertise Gary, having spent a large amount of money in publishing and distributing pictorial Gary booklets and in locating desirable citizens. Mr. Wright is prominent in business and social activities and it is due to his generosity in loaning cuts—many of which are used in illustrating this souvenir.

GARY A CITY OF INDIVIDUAL HOMES

To the credit of Mayor Johnson, may it be said, that he fostered the spirit of privately owned homes. In his proclamation last May he says: "A home-owning people is a home-loving people, their interest in neighborhood, city and country is intensified, and promoted in their homes." He says, "the development of character and gain of national material resources have been largely due to the absence of landlordism."

WHY HOME-SEEKERS AND INVESTORS COME TO GARY

Here's a point we want home-seekers or investors to catch. In seeking a new location, one asks about the taxes, assessments and improvements. If a town or city is well equipped with street and sewer improvements, schools, etc., and if the assessed valuation is high enough to provide sufficient taxes to meet the city's obligations, and, at the same time, not be a burden to the tax-paying people, then the prospective buyer will unhesitatingly



Courtesy of W. G. Wright
THE VICTORIA—Broadway and Seventh

During the past year five millions of dollars have been put into buildings, yet housing facilities are utterly inadequate. Thousands of employes are forced to live in nearby towns. This congestion is caused by the overflow of thousands of workers drawn here from the South and other sections attracted here by steady work at good wages.

invest his money in a home or business and become a permanent fixture of such a community. That is why so many substantial, desirable people are coming to Gary, which has all these improvements and is amply able to meet its public obligations, without placing a heavy burden on the people. Study Gary from all its angles, and when you fully realize how thoroughly and wonderfully

equipped and organized it is—and how far in advance it is in modernization over all other cities, you must acknowledge that for home purposes or investment the magic steel city has no equal in the world. As Ex-Senator Beveridge would say: "Do you get me?"



A RESIDENCE VISTA

GARY, THE CITY OF OPPORTUNITY AND FREEDOM FROM CLANNISHNESS

But there is one fine thing about a new city made up of cosmopolites—there is no clannishness. Society is fluid and has not become stratified. The result is that each man is taken on his merits and tried out, and if he has character and perseverance and is willing to buckle down to hard work, he is certain to "make good" in Gary. Men have come to Gary with small sums of money, or none at all, and have become well to do in a few years. But there are very few men of large wealth in this City. They can be counted on the fingers of one hand. There is also little poverty, for the foreigners who come here, with an occa-

sional exception, having learned the virtue of taking care of the proceeds of their toil, are laying up the surplus for a "rainy day."



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A 20TH CENTURY TRUISM WITH A MORAL

While the Immortal Teddy was wielding the big-stick in Washington, the so-called "Interests" were seeking a refuge from the big breeze, one geezer who had had the exceptional opportunity of learning the three R's, waded through a paragraph of Horace Greeley's, and read with great surprise—"Go west, young man." The skids being applied to his brogans, he blew into the ultra sacred sanctum of the big gang, and spilled the news that altho Greeley was only a newspaper correspondent or editor, or some such gink, he had written one good idea.

The Broadway background knew of a Hoosier lawyer who, altho a mere western savage, had the goods on them every time they had tried to ram the common horde and always had a pleasant seat for them on Cane cactus and the like, and decided that maybe they could make a treaty with him, and escape pneumonia and possibly verbal paralysis, from the breeze of the big stick if they got hep to Greeley's tip.

To this austere bunch all the west was a wilderness and the Dune region was the real desert, so like all ambitious hicks, they decided to begin at the bottom and work up.

After getting a learned Louis to interpret the Geological surveys, the Wall street Croesus were hypnotized into believing that there might be something in the back yard of New York, on which they could shoot a few nickles, the Hoosier lawyer was brought from the wild and wooly and was considered the eighth wonder of the world. He did not pick his teeth with the muzzle of a six shooter but had the gift of gab and noddle which made these wise men of the East sit up and take notice.

As Moses led the children of Israel thro the wilderness, so this Hoosier Solomon got on the job, and when the children of Tubaleain were led to the sand city, they found more than Manna in the desert, in fact, *they had an ideal burg* to live in and a super-ideal joint in which to spend their labor hours.

Had one of the Ingot Ignatzes refrained from using a fair dame's slipper as a wine glass, the burg might have borne a slightly different name, but an austere and august jurist, who may have been a member of the W. C. T. U., copped the honor and is perpetuated by having the town named after him.

As the whole thing went by contraries, the sand city progressed in direct inverse ratio to the progress of the courts, and instead of growing and enriching one unit per hundred hours, hiked along at the rate of an hundred units per hour.

The only sad part of the whole thing is that where children could play in the sand for weeks at a time for nothing, today they must keep off the street lest they be run over and their dads have to pay rents and income taxes and the like, because everyone in Gary makes enough to be under the tax ban.

MORAL: What may be erroneously considered a hick on Broadway is possibly a Solomon and Moses combined in Indiana.

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In summing up Gary's individual features, we perceive that we are not a “steel mushroom” that real estate values have not been speculative that Gary's taxable wealth totals over thirty millions, and has a greater wealth alone than those seven combined counties of Indiana, namely, Brown, Crawford, Scott, Jennings, Switzerland, Perry and Ohio, which totals only \$29,864,310.

In 1908 there were but 1,139 personal property taxpayers, while this year they near the eight thousand mark.

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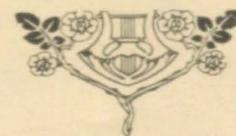
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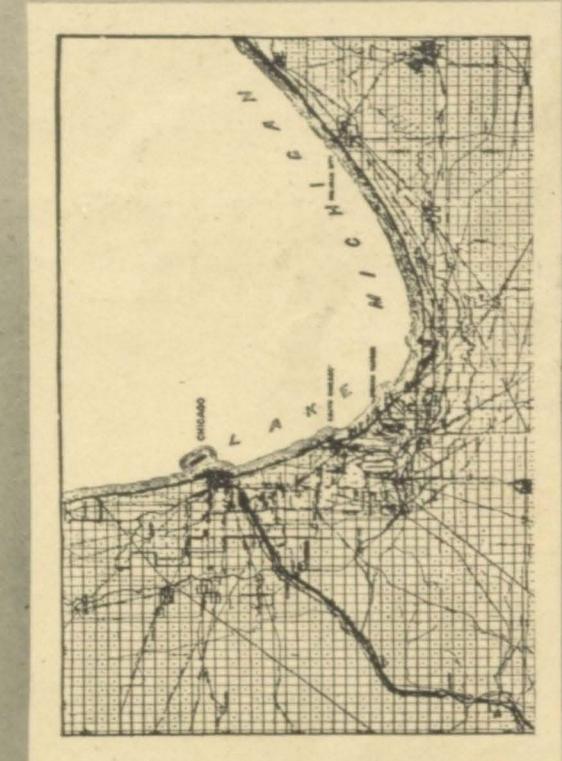
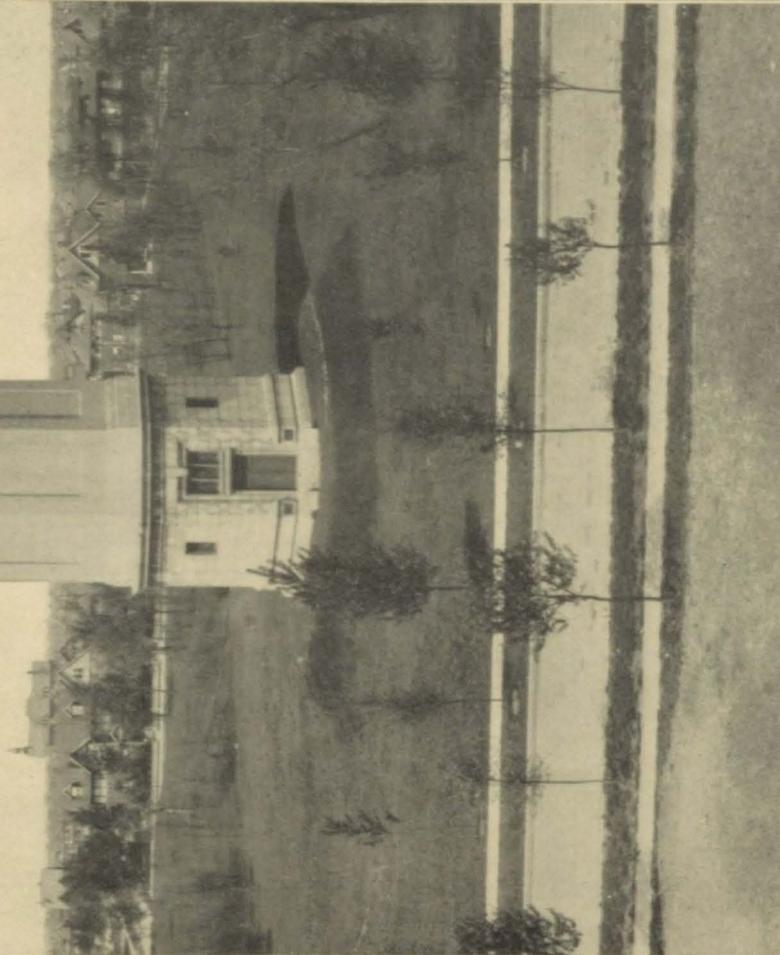
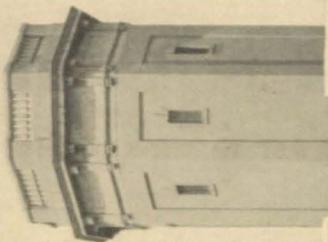


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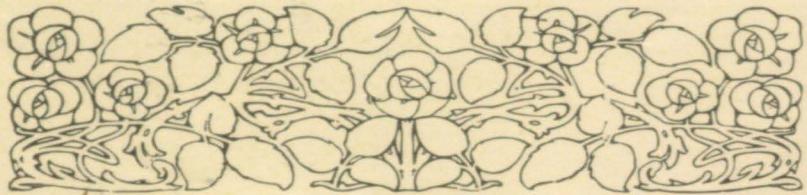
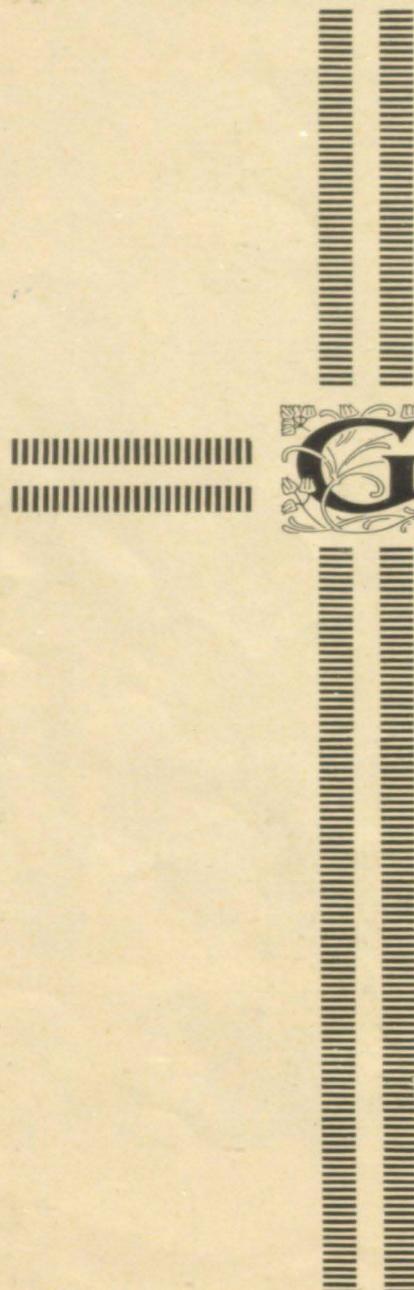
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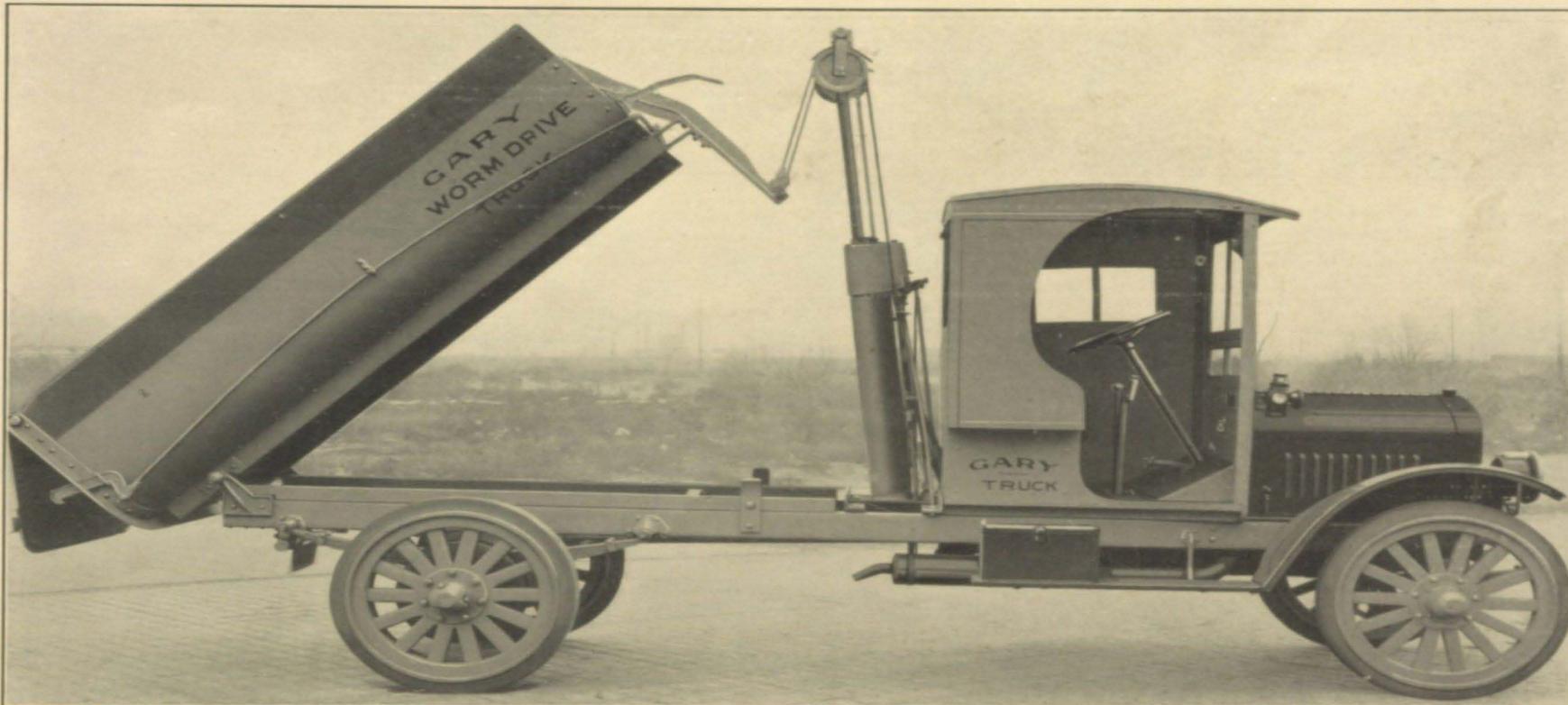
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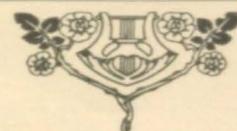
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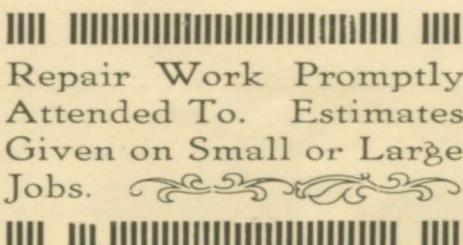
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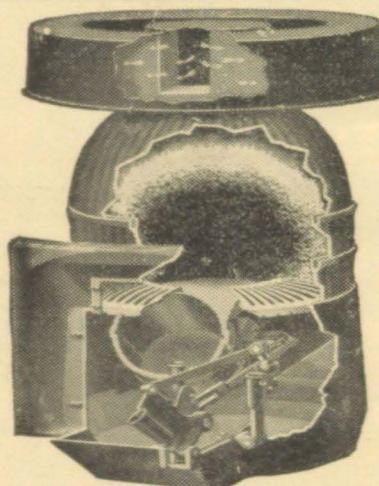
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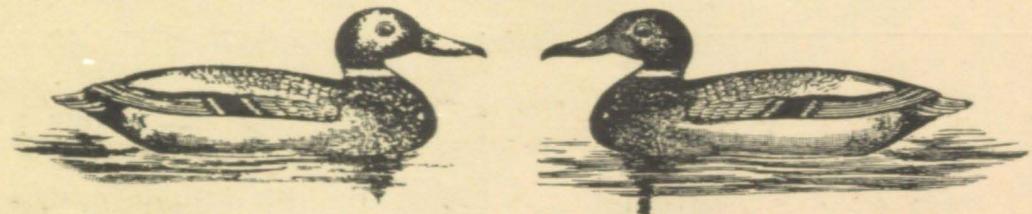
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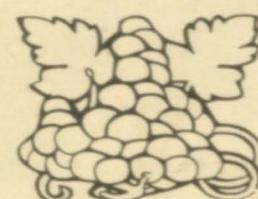
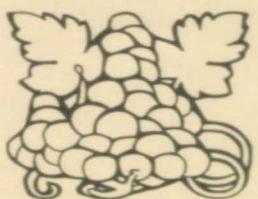
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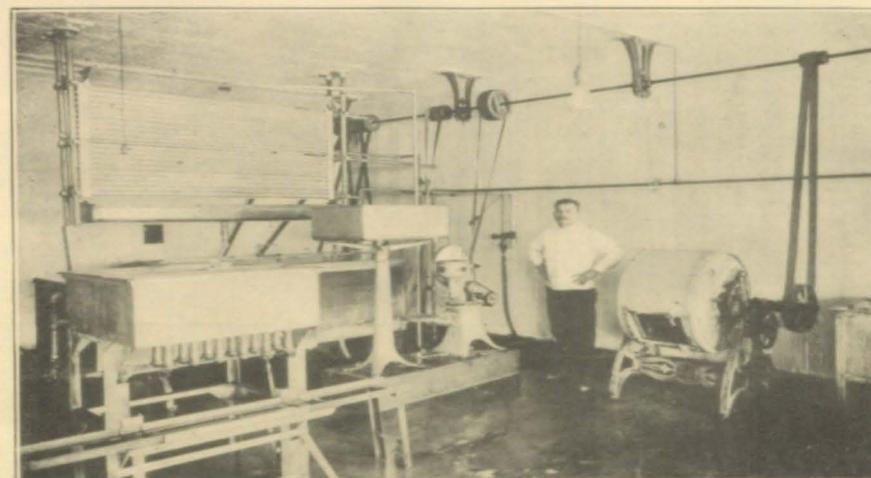
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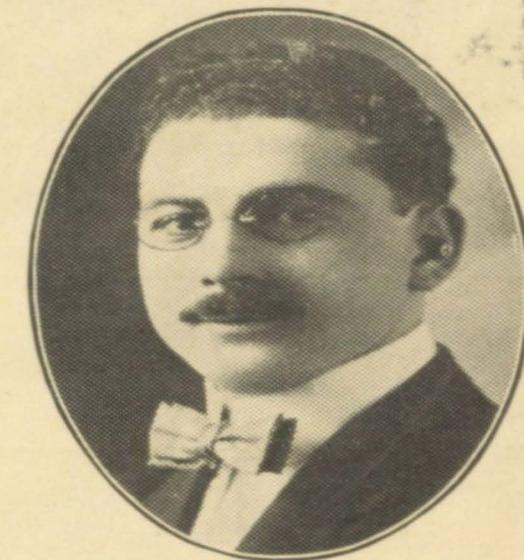
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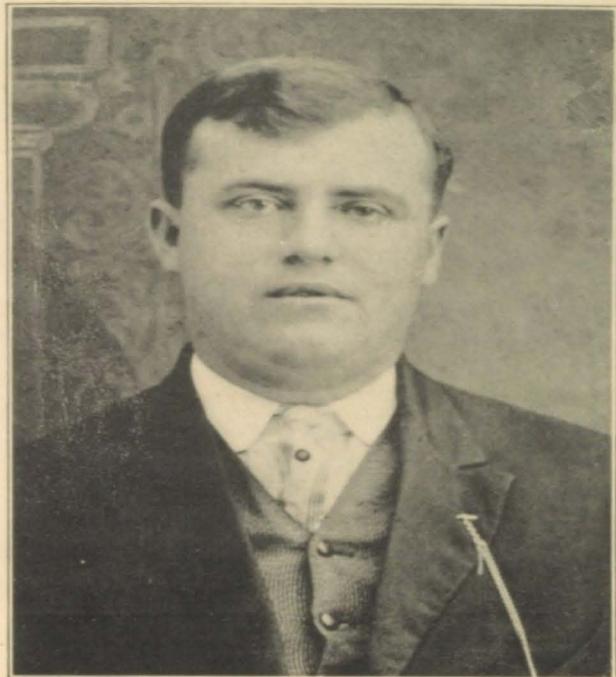
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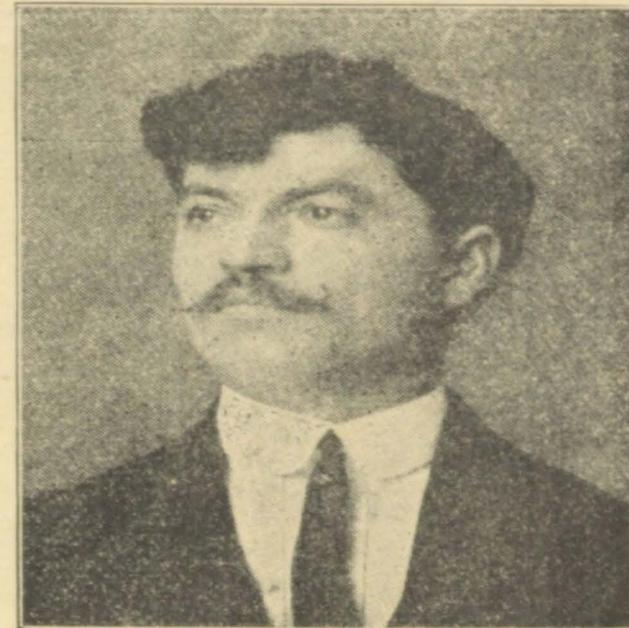
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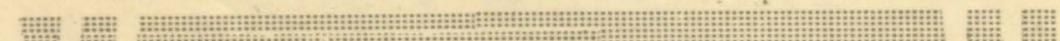
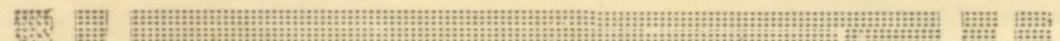
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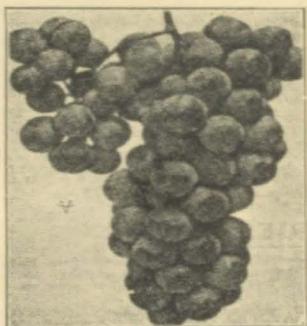
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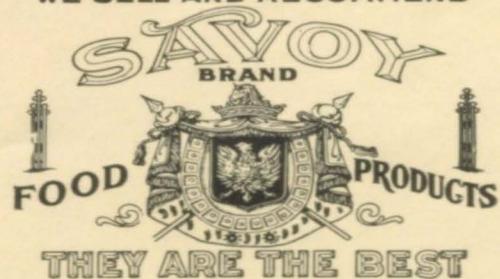
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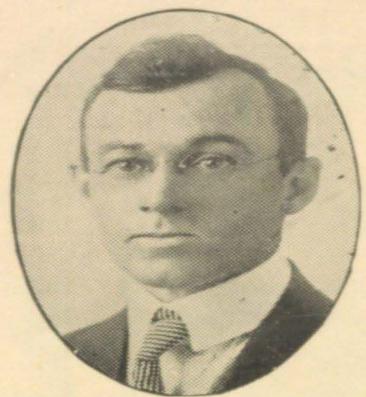
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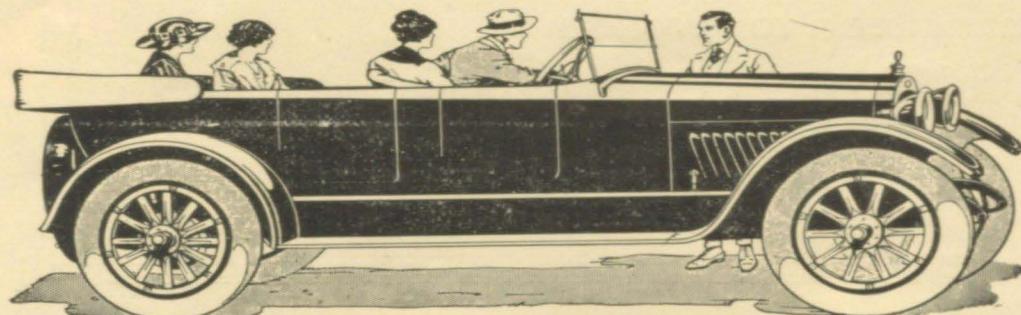
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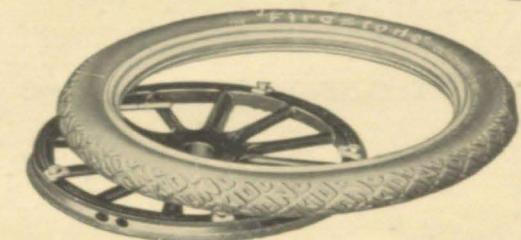
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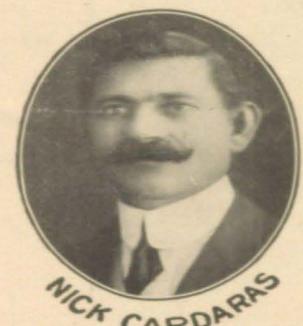
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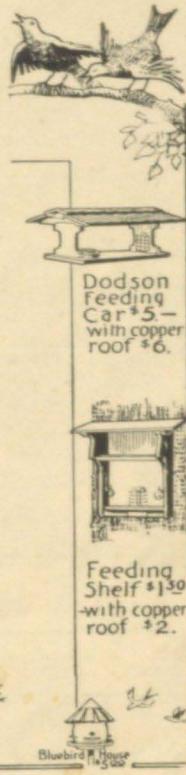
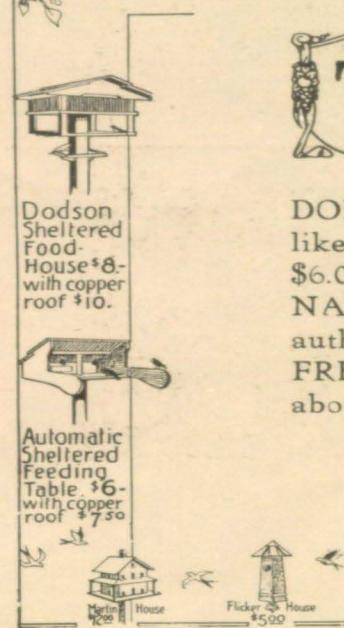
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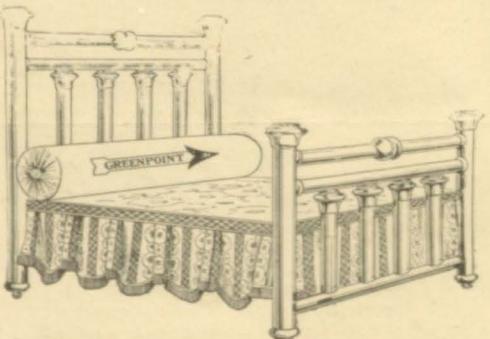
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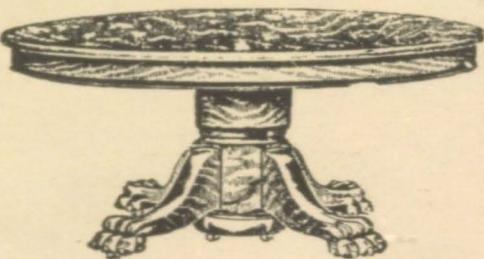


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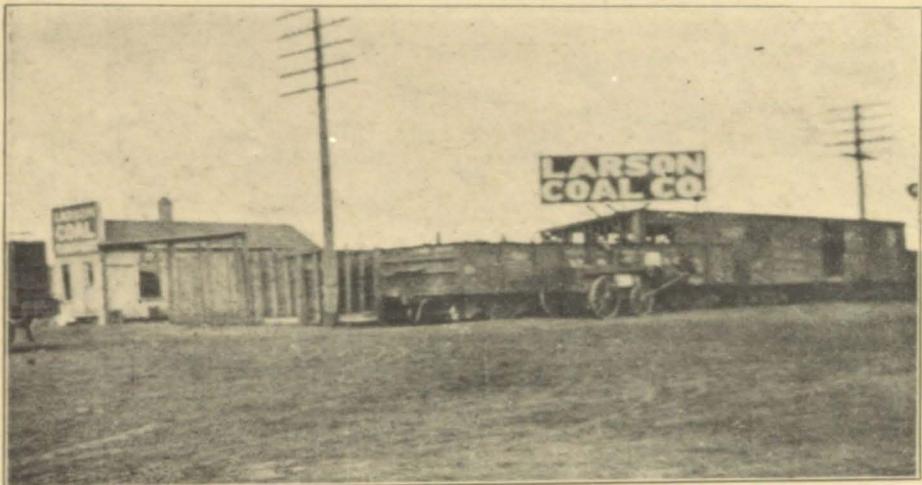
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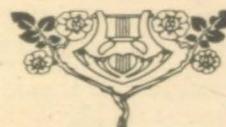
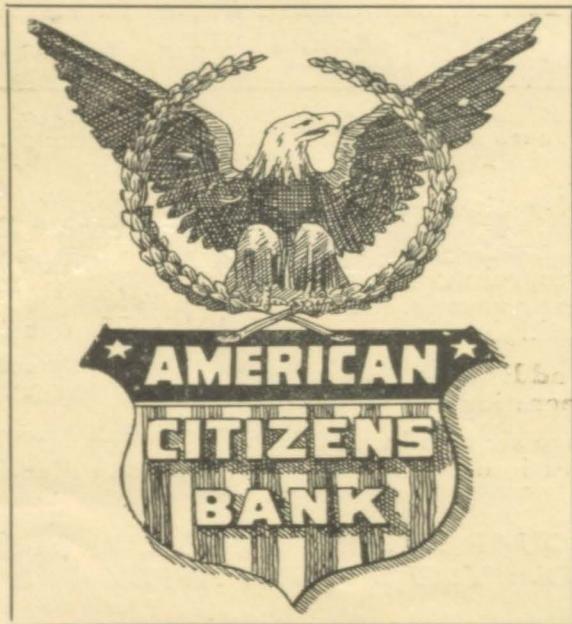
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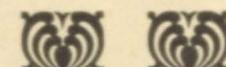
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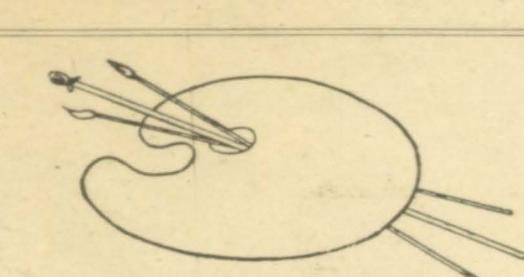
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Gary's area is.....	31 sq. mi.
Street mileage	240 miles
Pavements	85 miles
Improved streets and roads.....	125 miles
Cement sidewalks	135 miles
Sewers	72 miles
County roads in the city.....	40 miles
Cost of roads and sidewalks.....	\$4,255,000
Cost of sewers.....	\$1,700,000
Cost of all improvements.....	\$5,955,000
Parks and playgrounds for public.....	6
Area of parks and playgrounds.....	65 acres
Electric pole lines.....	66.5 miles
Water mains	61
Gas	58

Water tunnel	1,400 feet
Arc lights	403
Fire hydrants	488

The number of dwellings, stores and other privately owned buildings in Gary exceeds 12,000.

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Gary Commercial Club.....	\$ 75,000.00
Gary Theatre	150,000.00
Union Depot	250,000.00
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Reading left to right, Joseph Butkus; Louis Konecki; Joseph E. Roy, Supt. of Calumet District; Robert F. Duncan and Harry Jacobson.

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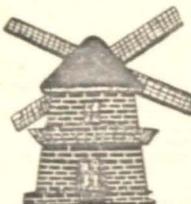


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